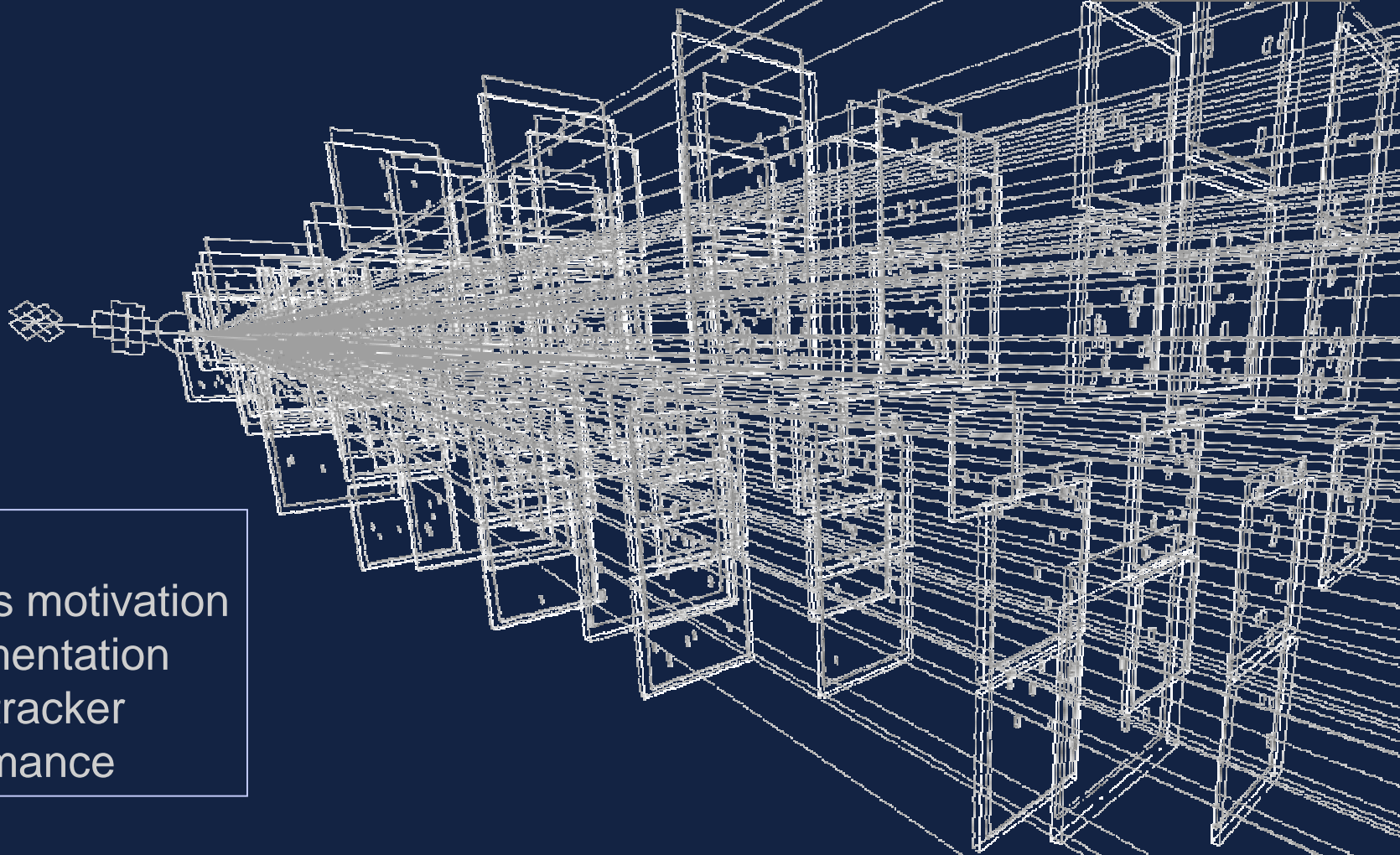


Experiment NA60



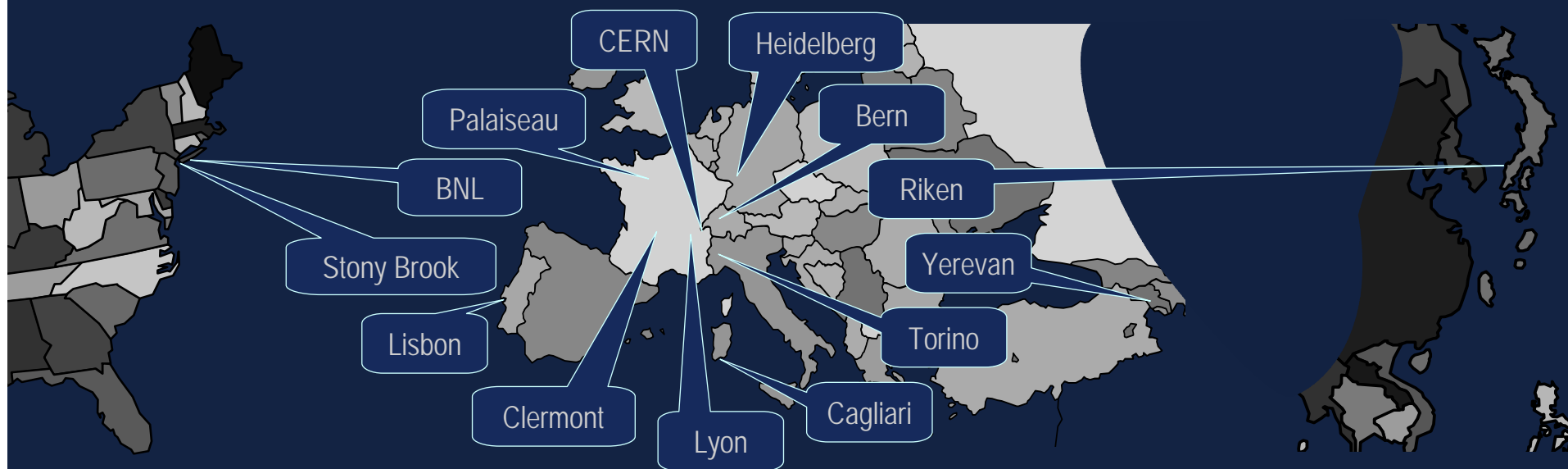
Outline:

- physics motivation
- instrumentation
- beam tracker
- performance

Peter Rosinský, CERN-PH/CMD (before EP/NA60)

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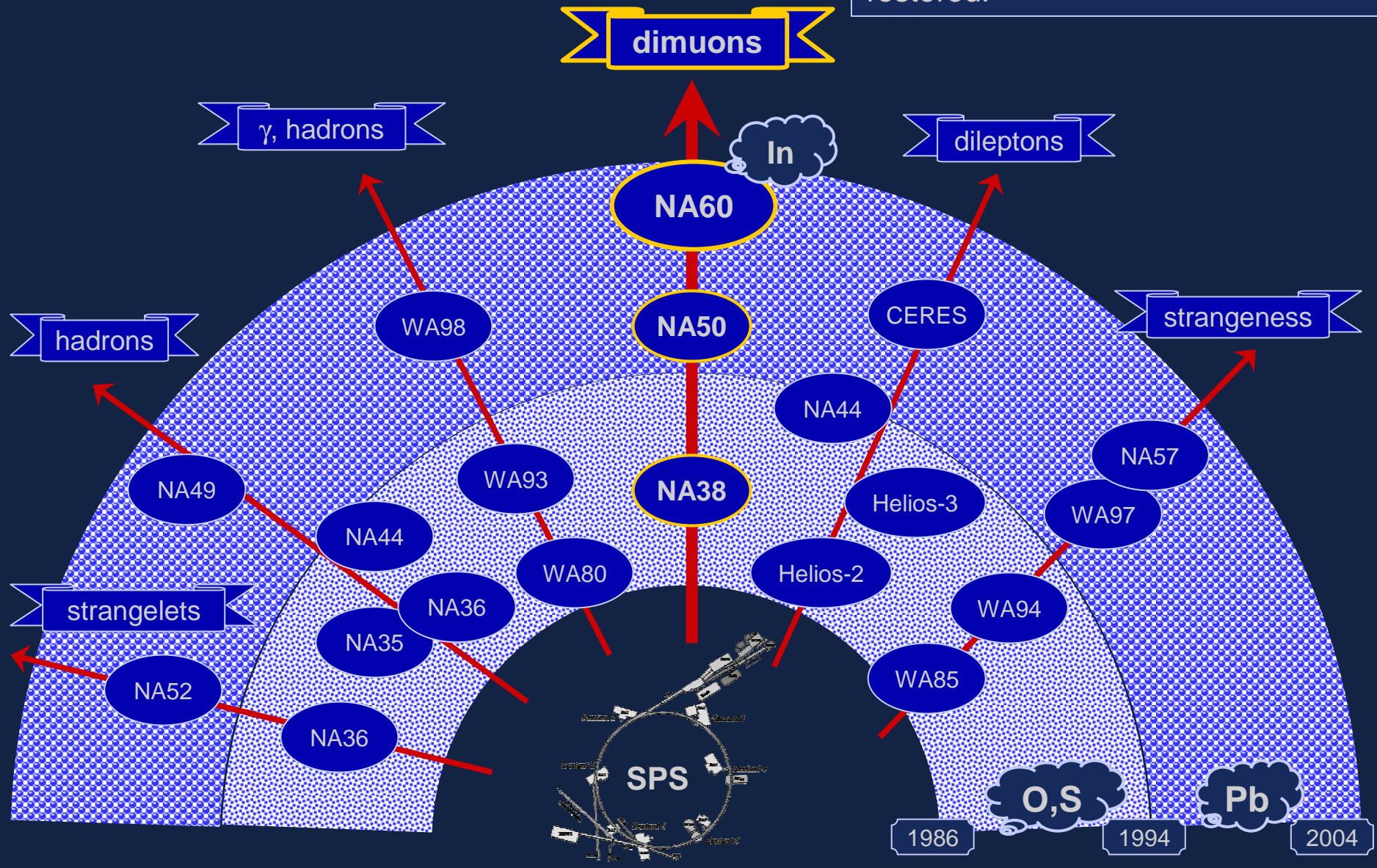


8 countries, 13 institutes, 57 people

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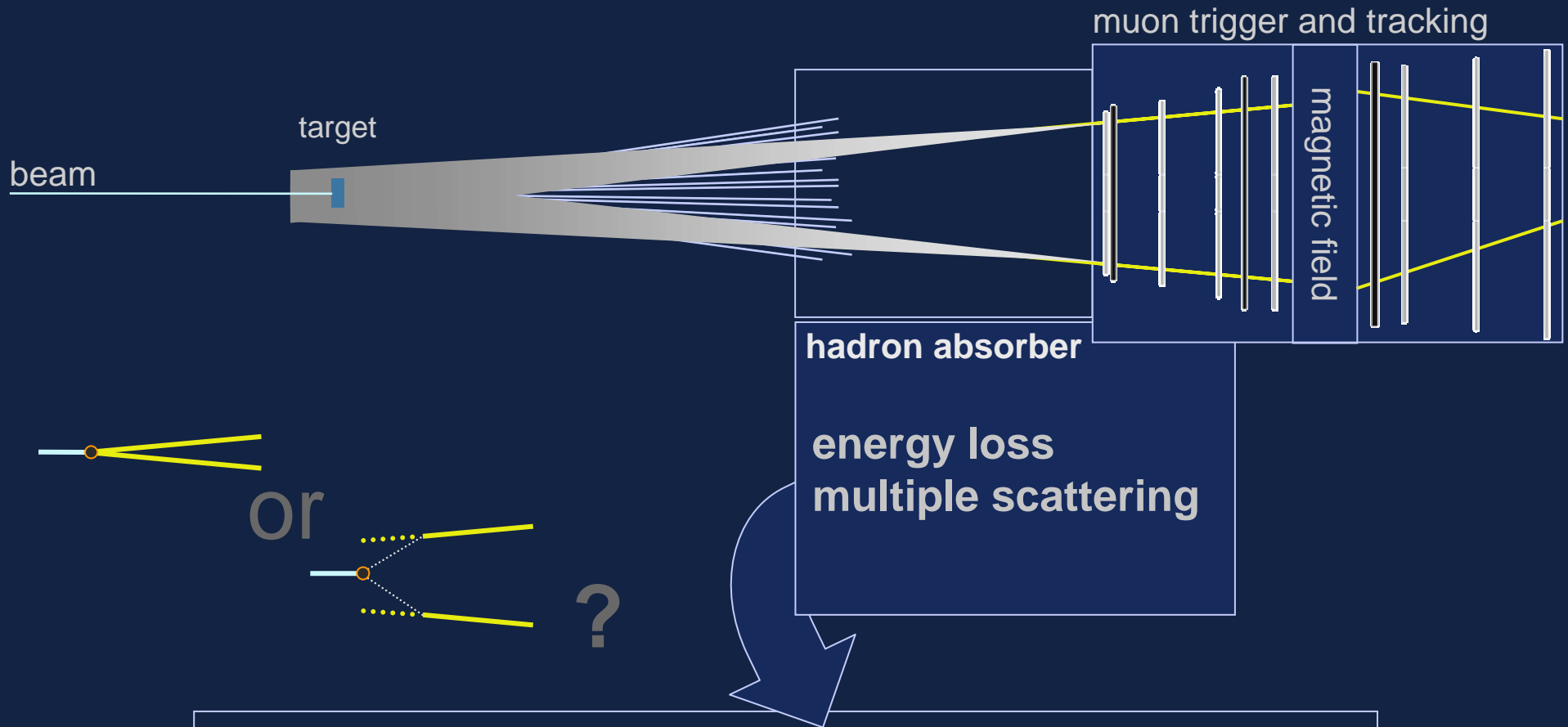
Heavy ions at CERN

Lattice QCD calculations predict a phase transition into a deconfined state where chiral symmetry is restored.



Measuring dimuons - NA50

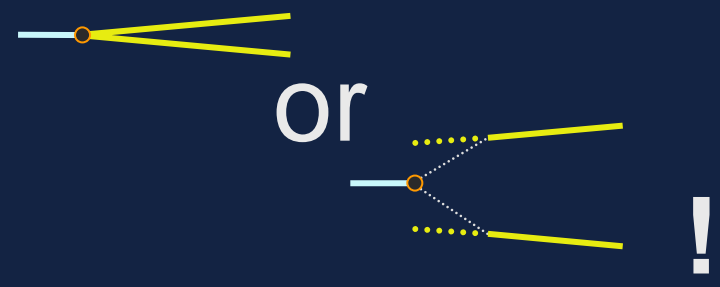
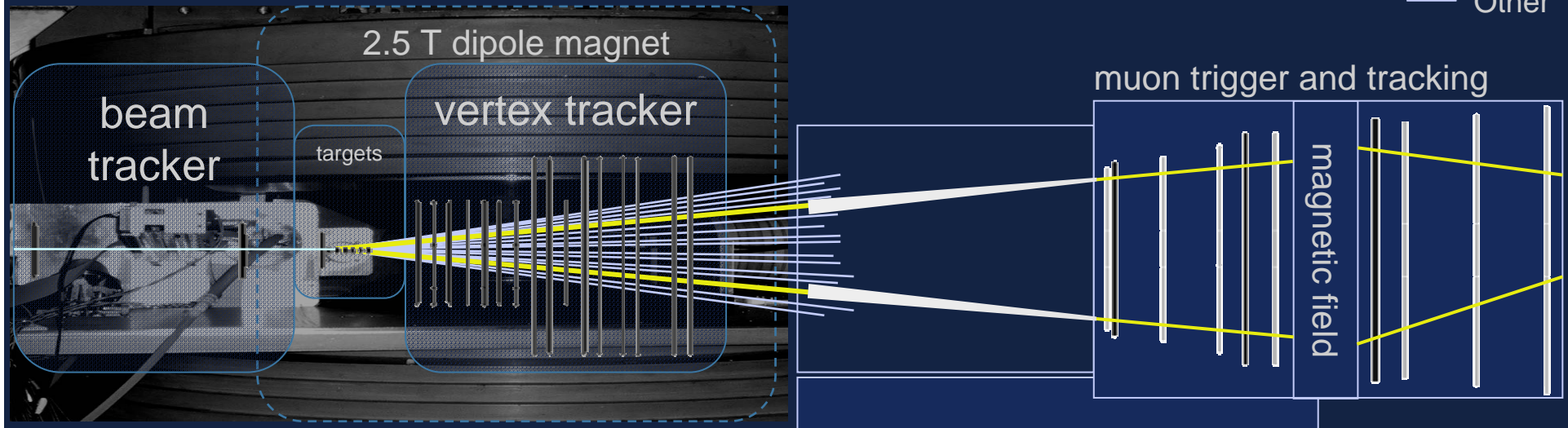
— Muon
— Other



- cannot distinguish **vertex muons** from **decay muons**
- **degraded** dimuon mass resolution

Measuring dimuons - NAGO

— Muon
— Other



matching in **coordinate**
and **momentum** space

- **origin** of muons can be **accurately determined**
- **improved** dimuon mass resolution

Radiation tolerant tracker required!

Target area

Dipole Magnet

Muon filter

Particle tracker

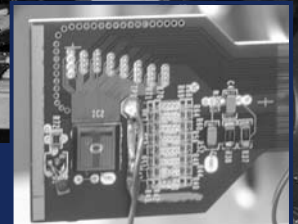
Beam Tracker

beam

Silicon Pixel Telescope
for Ion runs



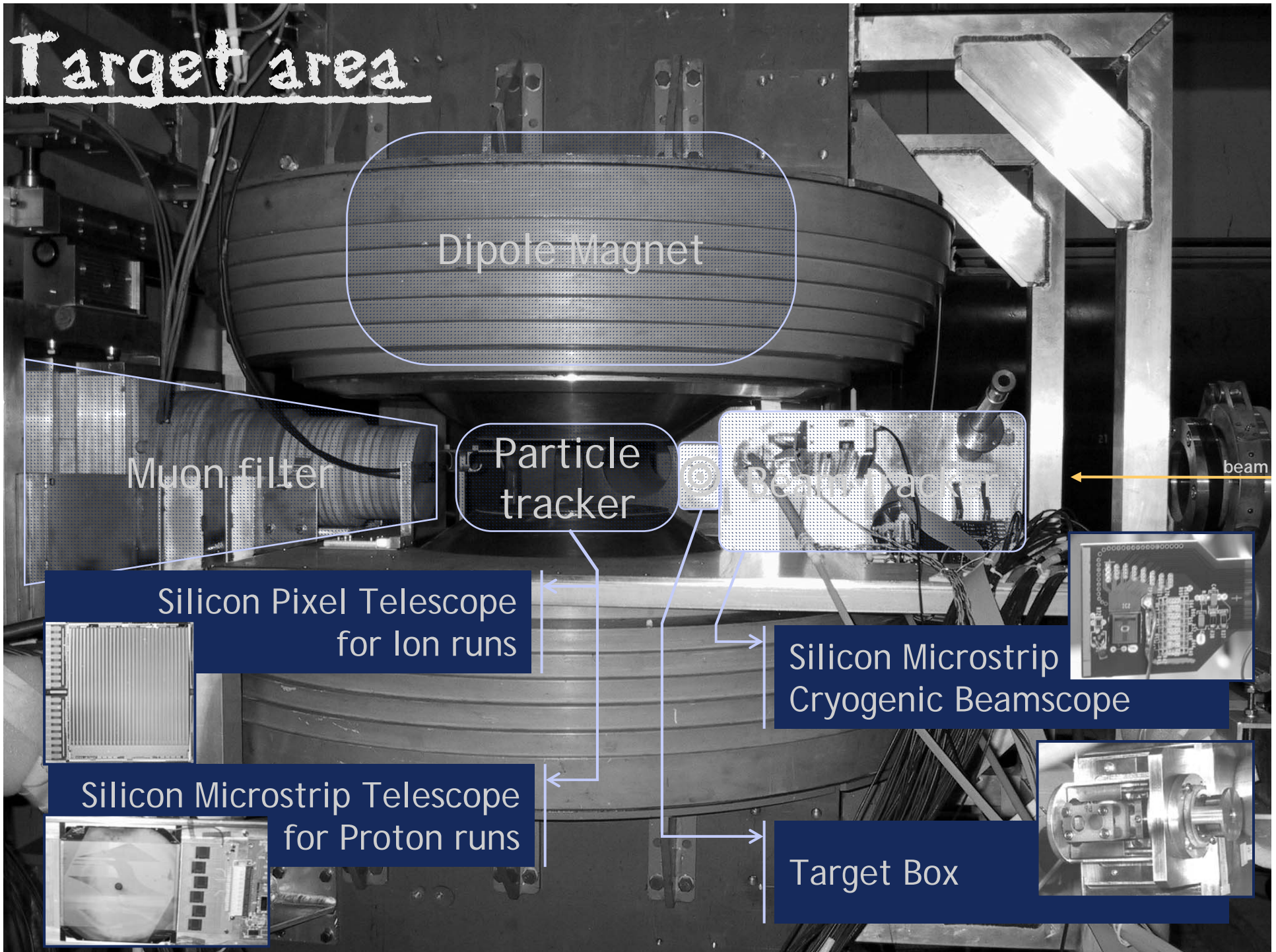
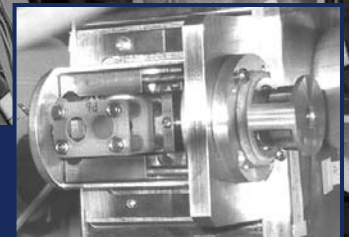
Silicon Microstrip
Cryogenic Beamscope



Silicon Microstrip Telescope
for Proton runs



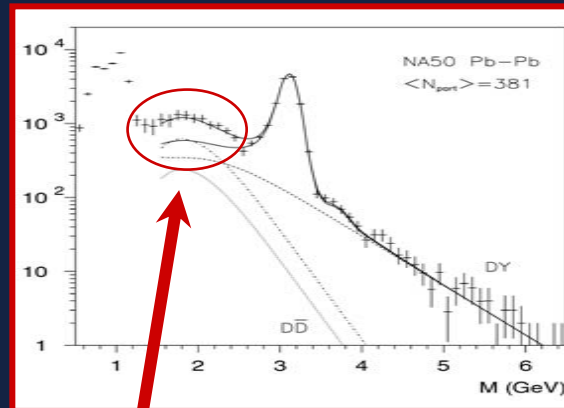
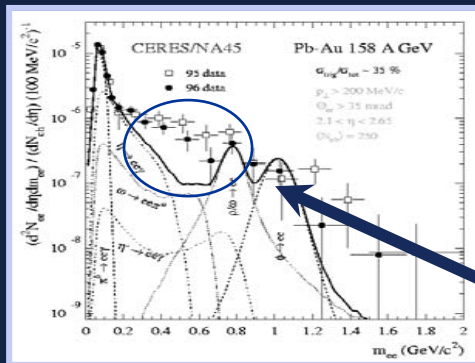
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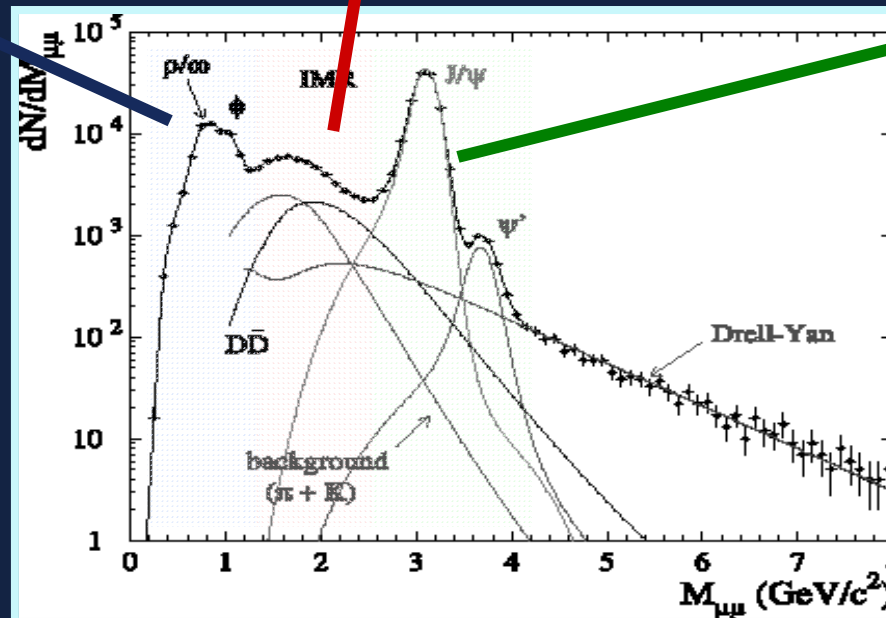
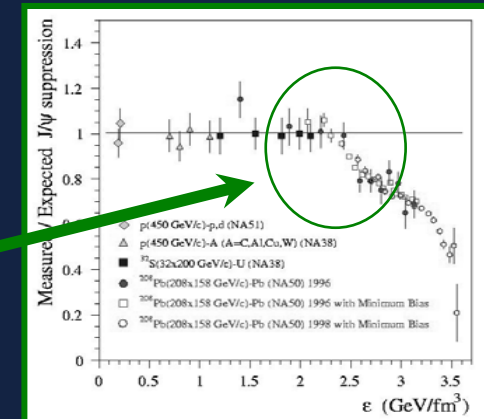
Main physics topics

IMR – charm /thermal $\mu\mu$

LMR – ω , ρ , ϕ production



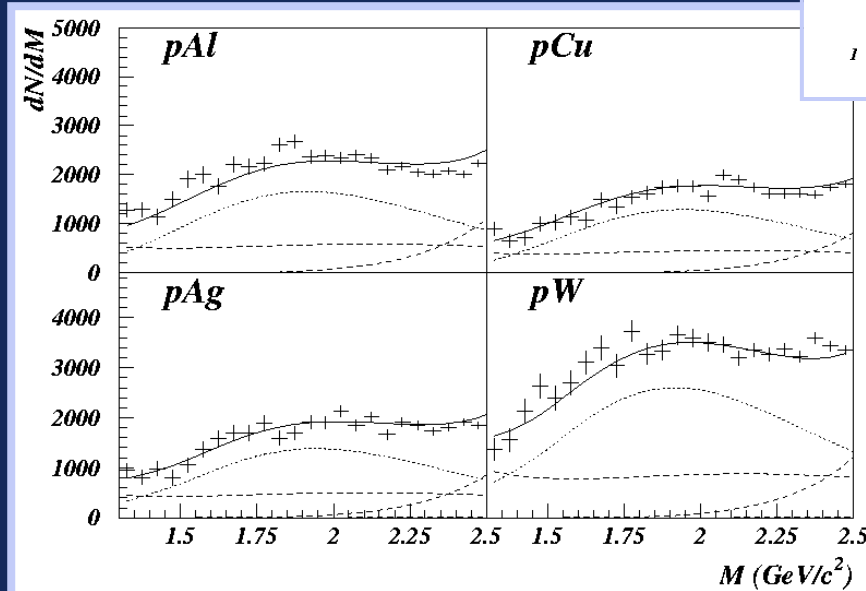
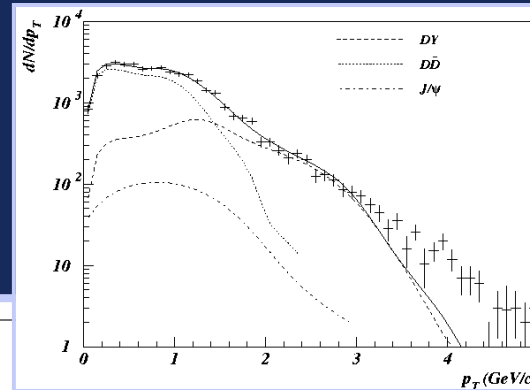
J/ψ - deconfinement



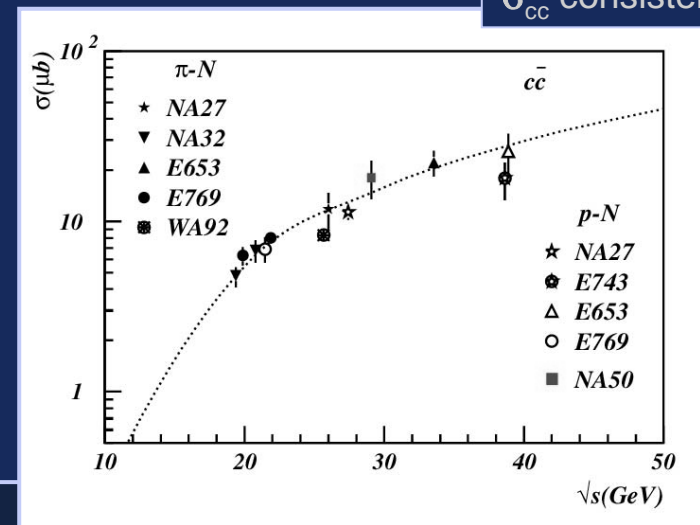
Intermediate mass region – protons

NA38/NA50: well understood

- sum of Drell-Yan, $D\bar{D}$, J/ψ
 - mass, p_t , rapidity, $\cos(\theta_{CS})$



σ_{cc} consistent



Intermediate mass region - ions

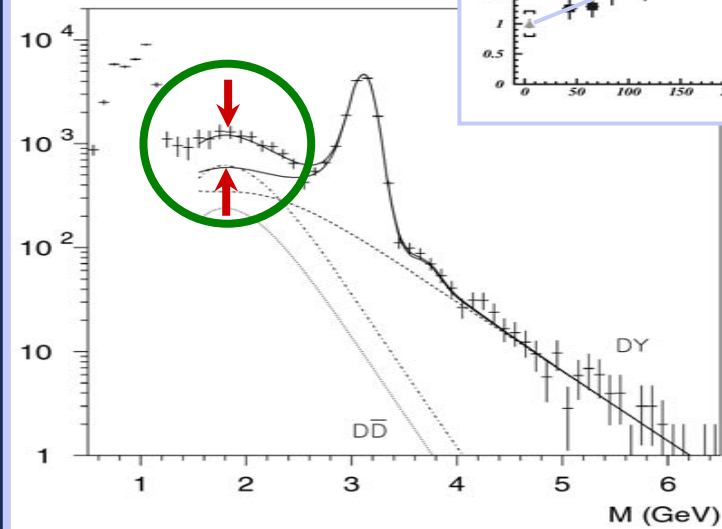
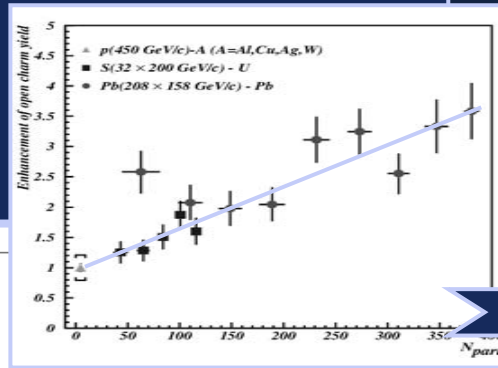
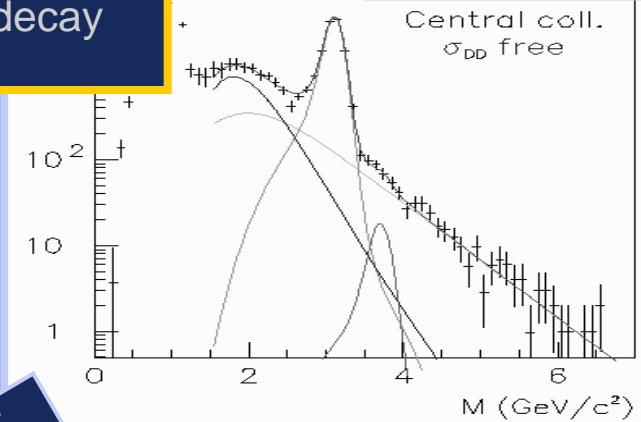
NA38/NA50: excess in Pb-Pb

- ~3.5x for central collisions
- centrality dependence

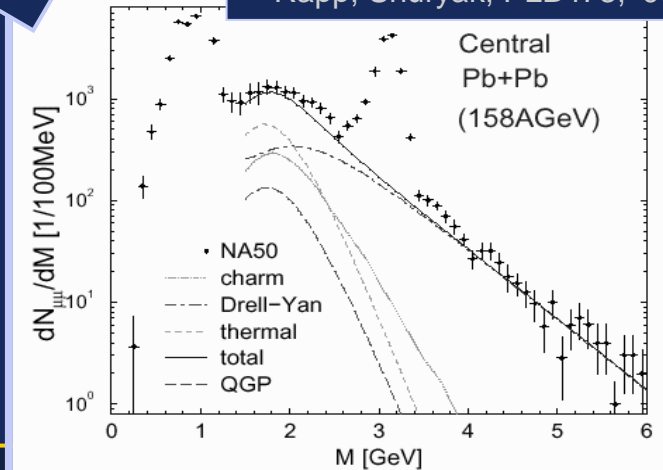
NA60: source of dimuons

- primary or secondary vertex
- prompt muons or D-decay

3x open charm ?
NA50 QM'99



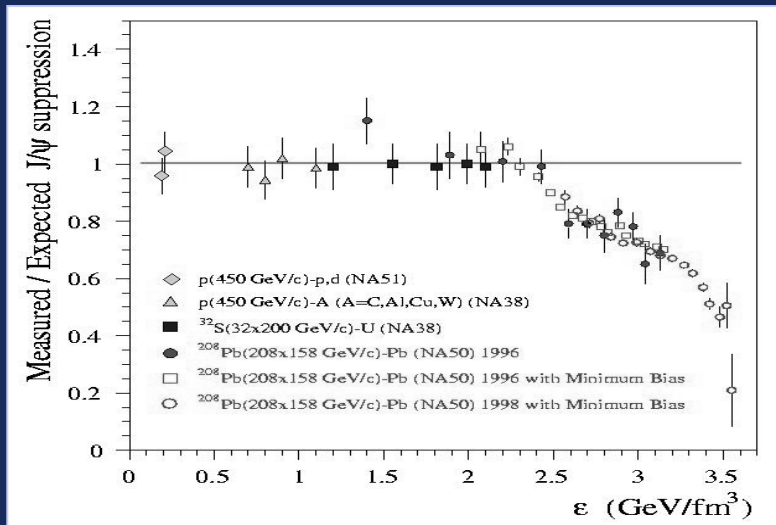
thermal production ?
Rapp, Shuryak, PLB473, '00



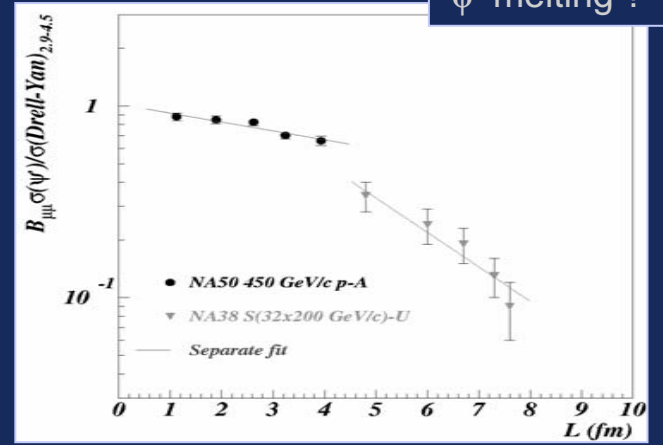
High mass region - ions

NA38/NA50

- Pb-Pb: anomalous J/ψ suppression
- increasing with centrality



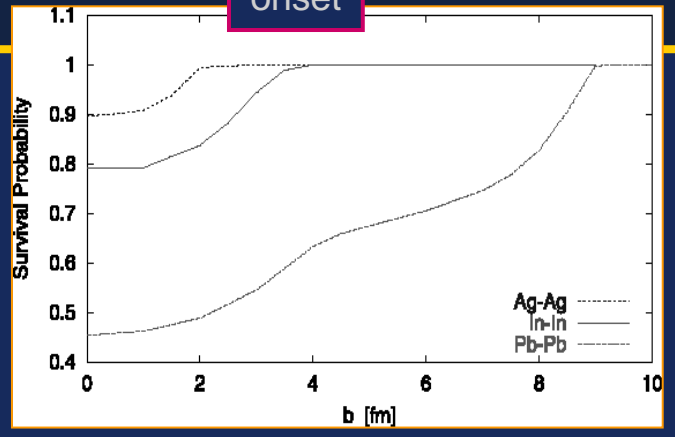
ψ' melting ?



NA60

- lighter system, onset of suppression
 - In-In: $b \approx 4$ fm
- Which variable drives suppression ?
- ψ' production
- p-A: reference
 - A dependence of χ_c , impact on J/ψ

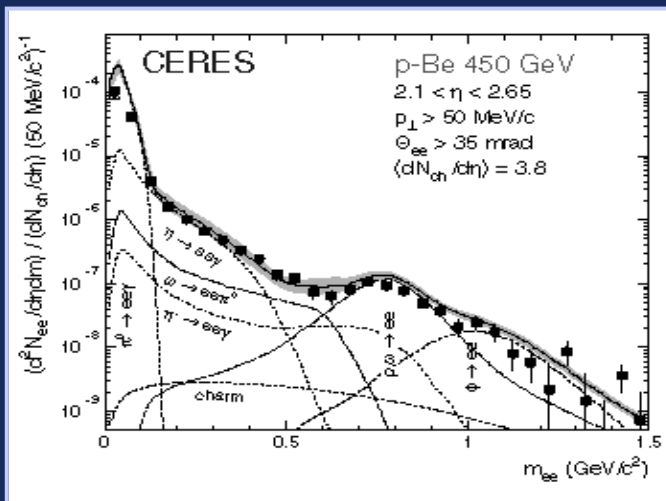
onset



Low mass region

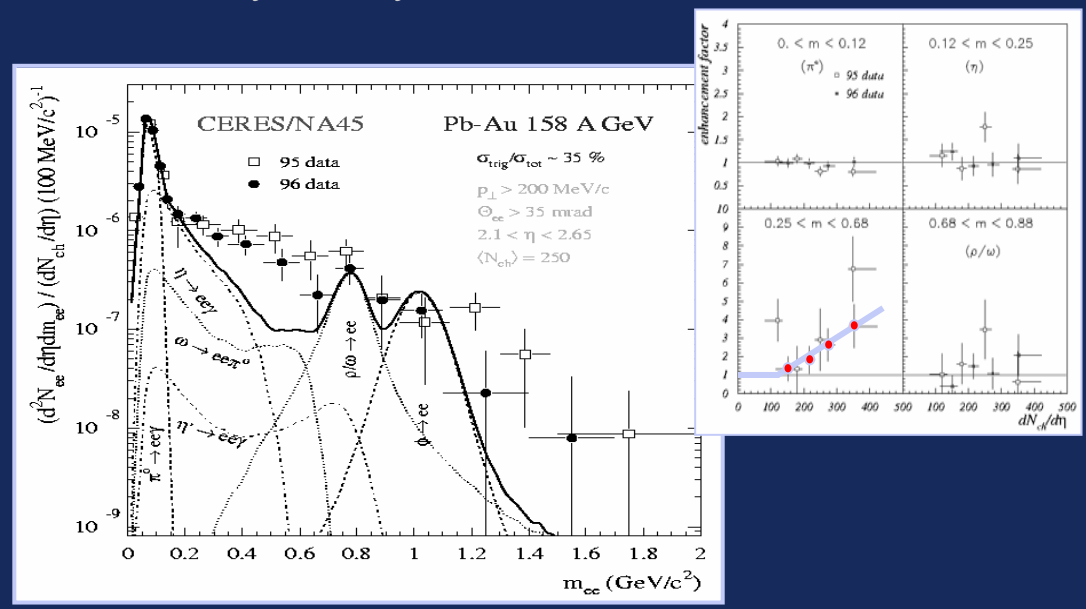
CERES: dielectrons

- p-A spectra understood
- sum of hadronic decays



CERES: excess in A-A

- 2.6x in 250–680 MeV, increase with N_{part}
- ρ meson modified by the nuclear medium ?
- chiral symmetry restoration ?



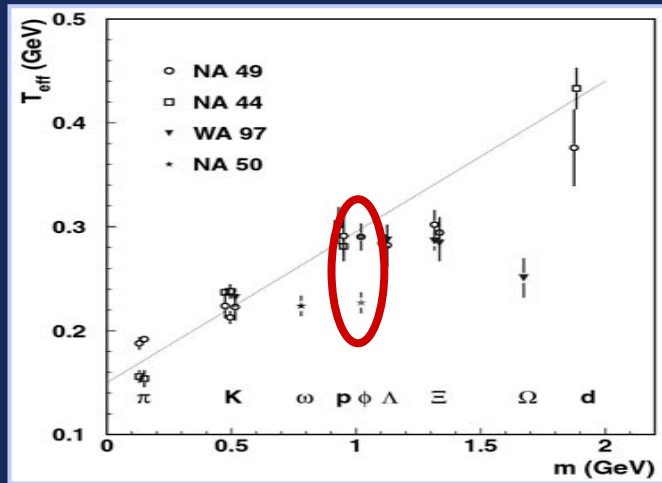
NA60

- better statistics
- better mass resolution ($\sim 20 \text{ MeV}$ at ω)
- better signal/background
- m_t cut: $> 500 \text{ MeV}$, different systematic uncertainties

LAMR - ϕ , prompt dimuons

NA49-NA50:

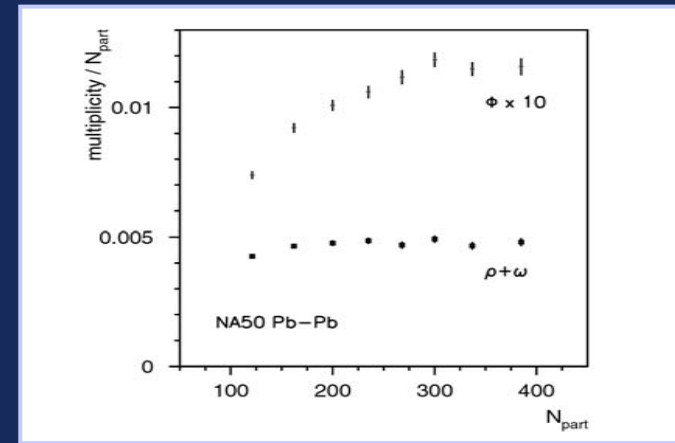
- ϕ production in A-A: $>3\sigma$ difference
 - different p_t window
 - KK vs. $\mu\mu$ decay



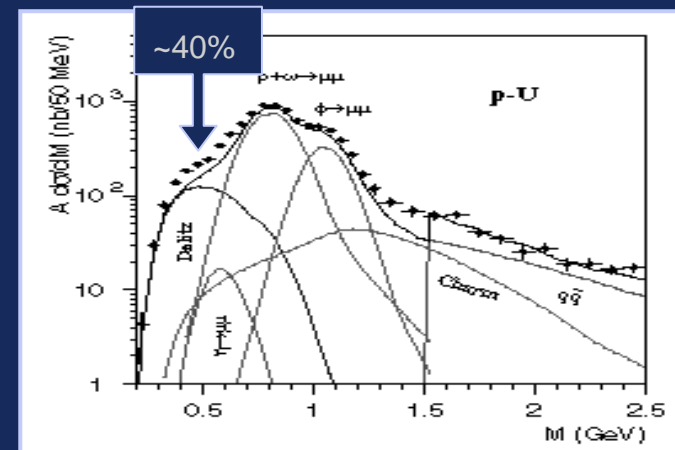
NA60:

- better mass resolution
- down to zero p_t
- p-A:
 - prompt: increase due to $q\bar{q}$?

NA38/NA50: ϕ excess vs. $\rho+\omega$ in Pb-Pb



NA38: excess below ρ/ω in p-U

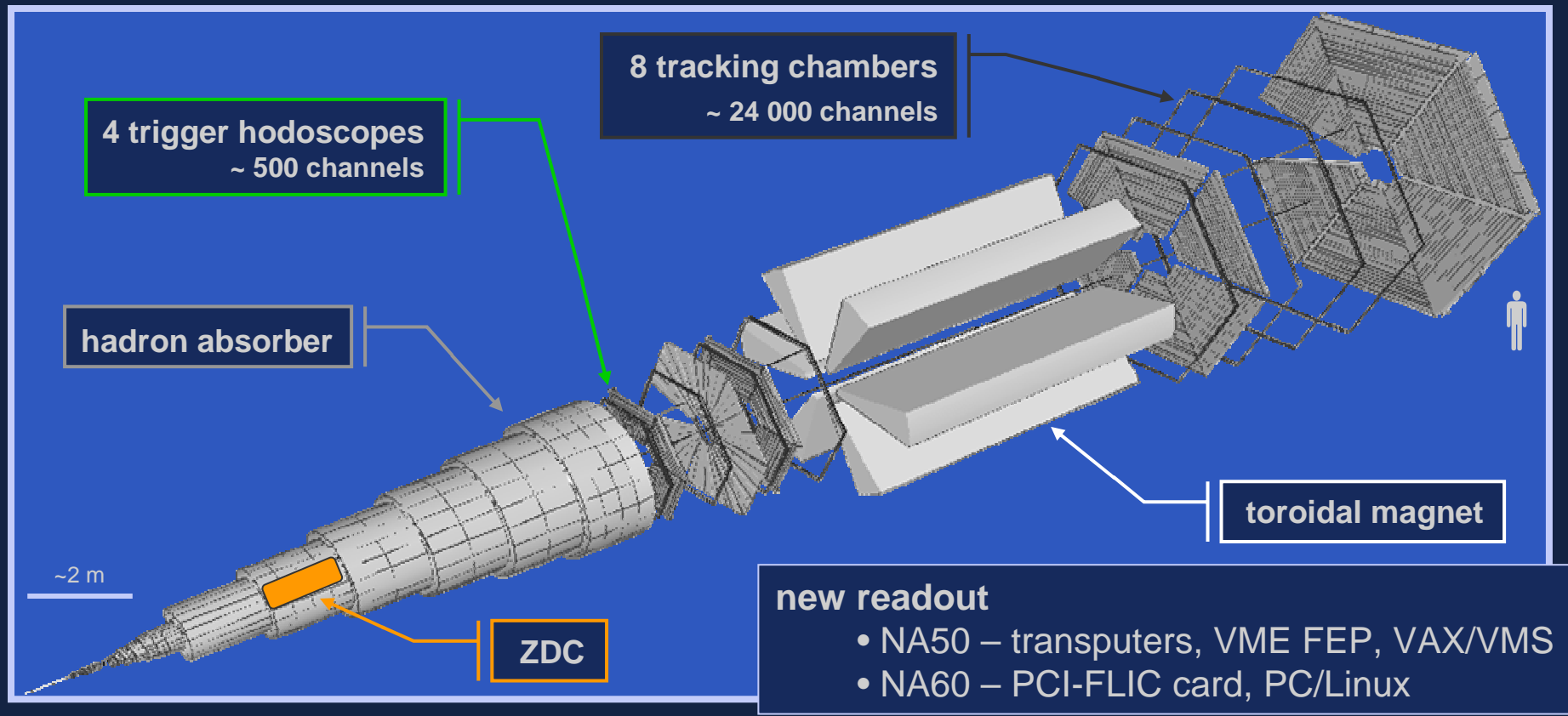


Muon Spectrometer, ZDC

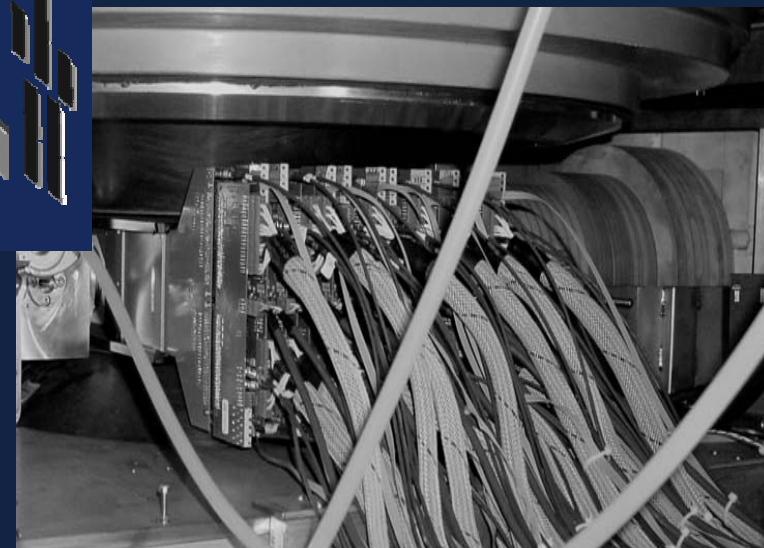
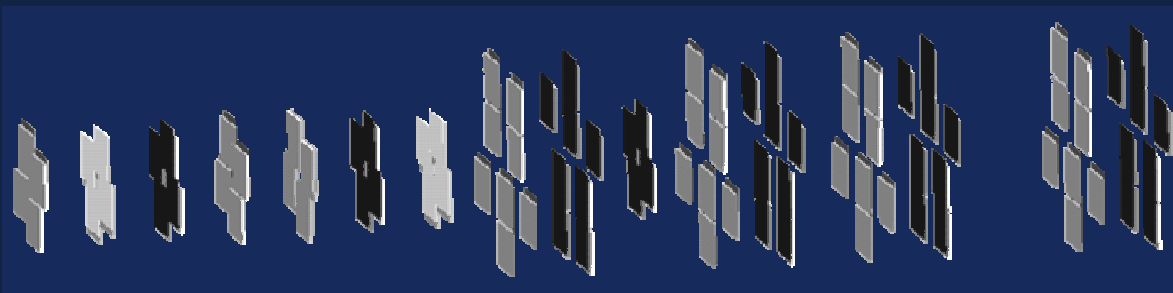
Muon Spectrometer: since 1978 (NA10/NA38/NA50/NA60)

- selective dimuon trigger (4 scintillation hodoscopes)
- dimuon tracking (8 multiwire proportional chambers)

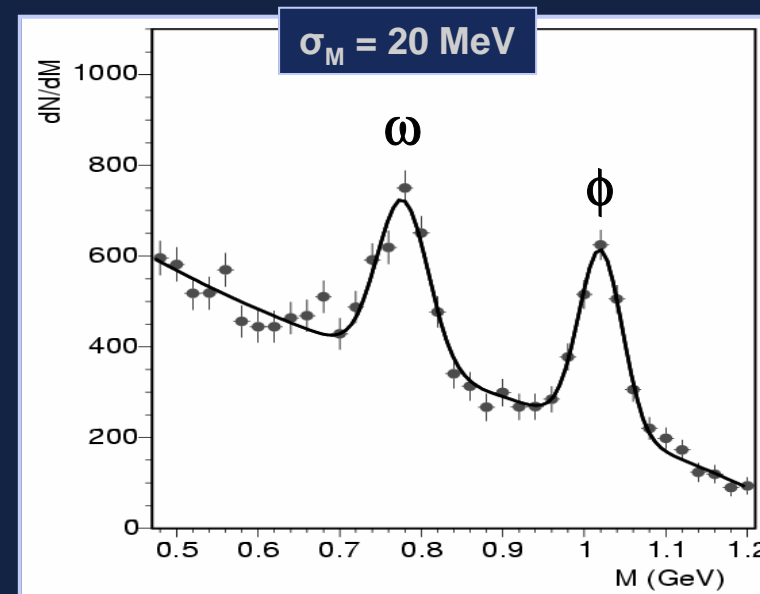
Zero Degree Calorimeter: forward energy → centrality (Cherenkov quartz)



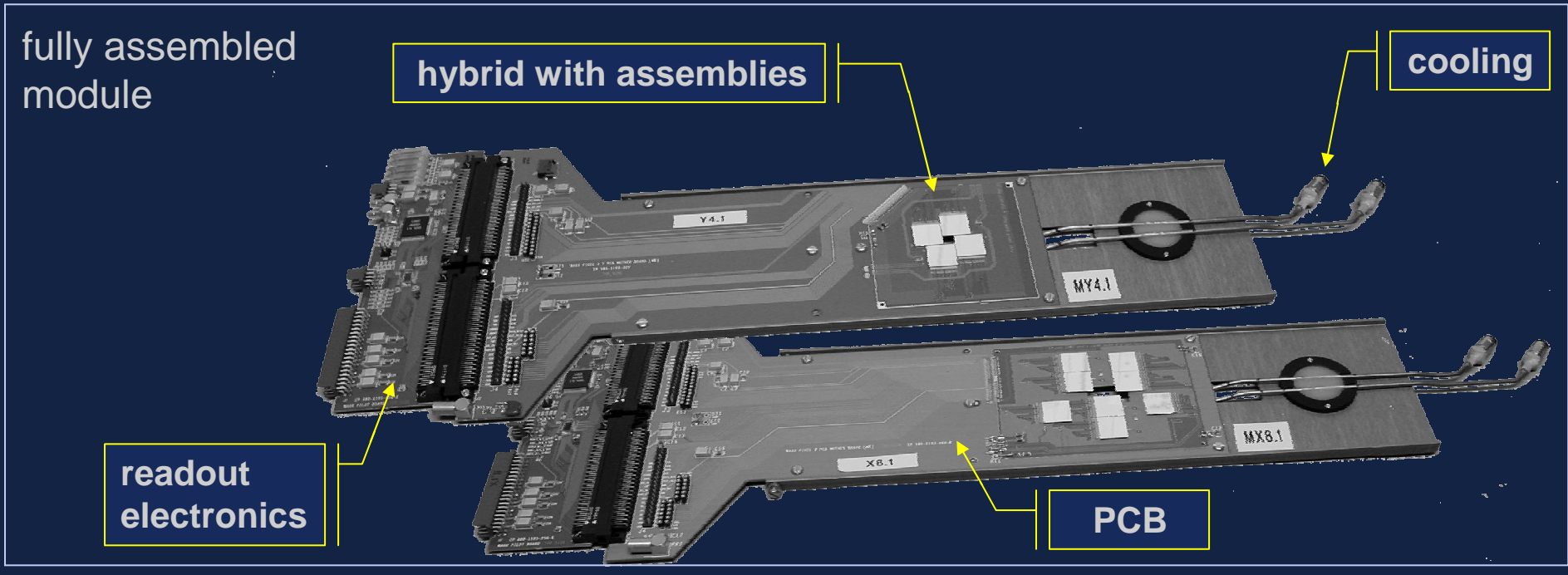
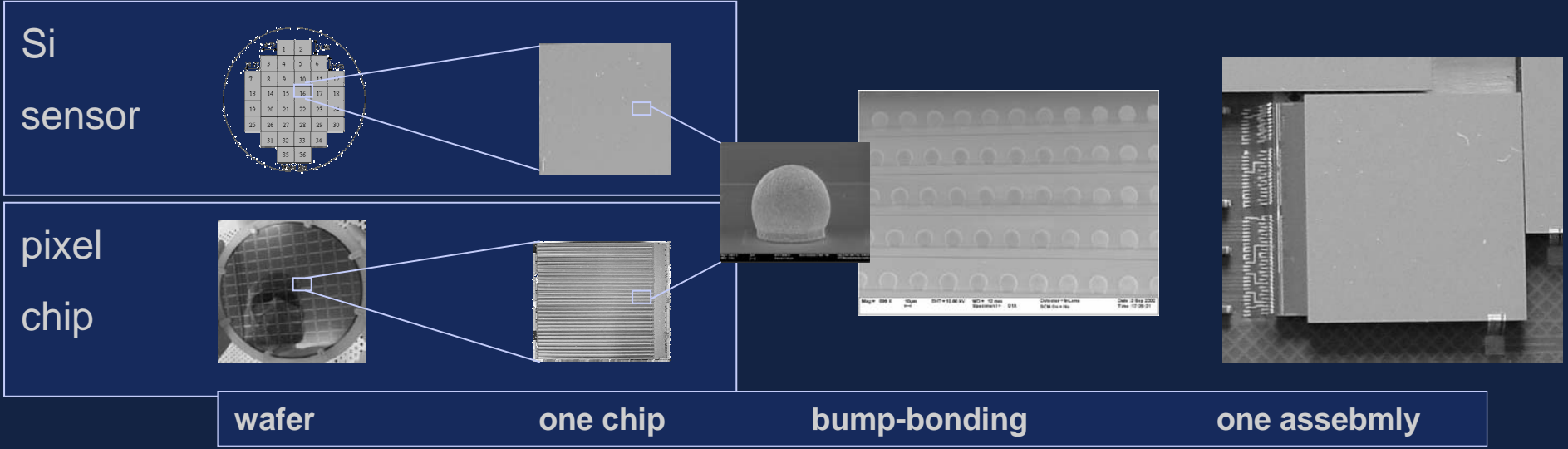
Pixel Telescope



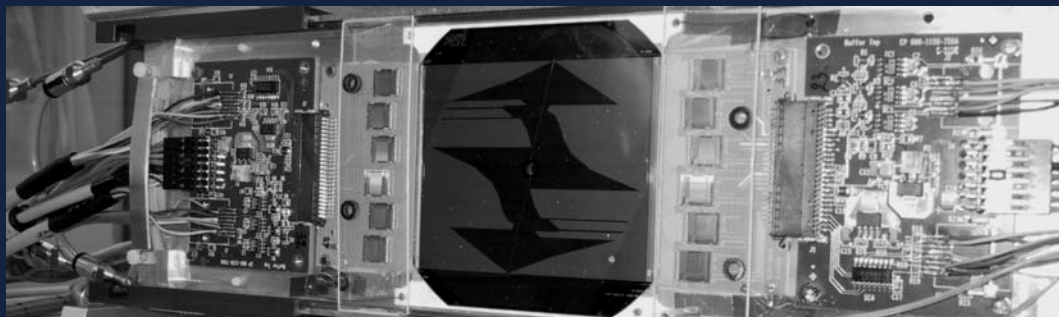
- 11 tracking planes ($\sim 3\%$ X_0 per plane)
 - 8 small 4-chip + 8 big 8-chip planes
 - 96 assemblies, 786432 channels
- ALICE1LHCB pixel chip (8192 pixels, 10 MHz)
 - 256x32 matrix, $50 \times 425 \mu\text{m}^2$ pixel, $12.8 \times 13.6 \text{ mm}^2$ active area, 750 μm thick
 - radiation tolerant up to ~ 20 Mrad
 - local threshold, 4-event buffer
- mass resolution: from $\sim 75 \rightarrow \sim 20$ MeV in ω/ϕ region
- position resolution $\sim 20 \mu\text{m}$ in transverse plane at the target



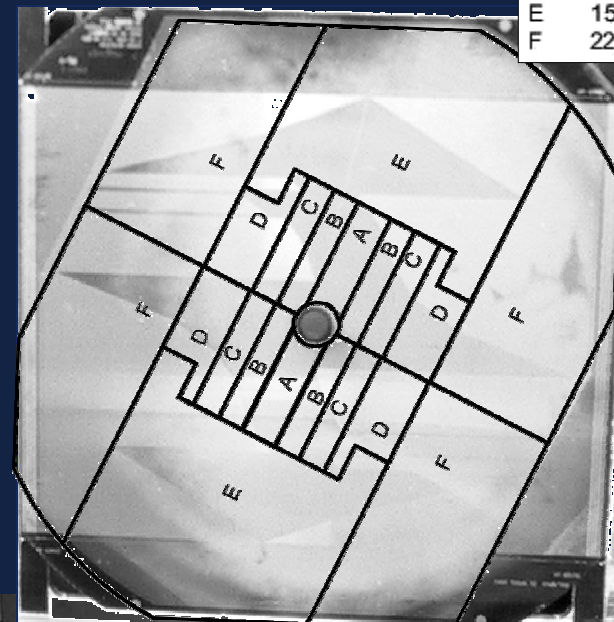
Pixel Telescope - production



Silicon microstrip telescope



	Pitch(μm)
A	80.00
B	60.00
C	80.00
D	134.91
E	151.06
F	226.96

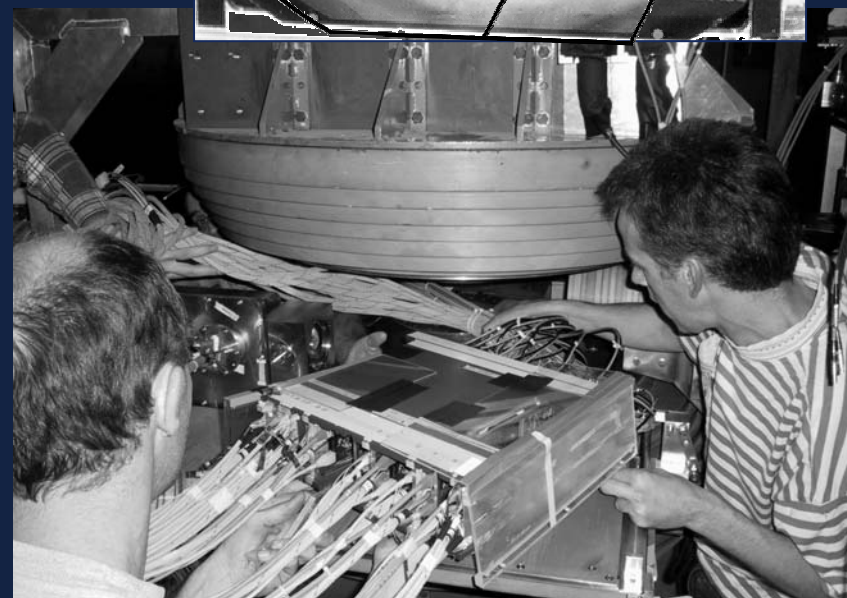


8 double planes of 300 μm silicon sensors

- double-metal, DC coupled, Al/p+/n/n+/Al
- 90 mm diameter, beam hole
- 1536 strips, variable pitch/size geometry
- $\sim 0.3\% X_0$ per plane, **occupancy** $< 3\%$

ATLAS SCTA read-out chips

- **40 MHz** operation
- **analog** sampling



Readout, DAQ, Controls

PCI readout (crate=PC) for all detectors

PCI-CFD readout board

- 40 MHz Altera FPGA, 64 MB SDRAM
- spill buffering, ~30 MB/s through PCI
- detector-specific mezzanines - PRB (Pixels), RMH (Muon Spectro), FERA (Beam Tracker, ZDC)

SSPCI readout board for Strips

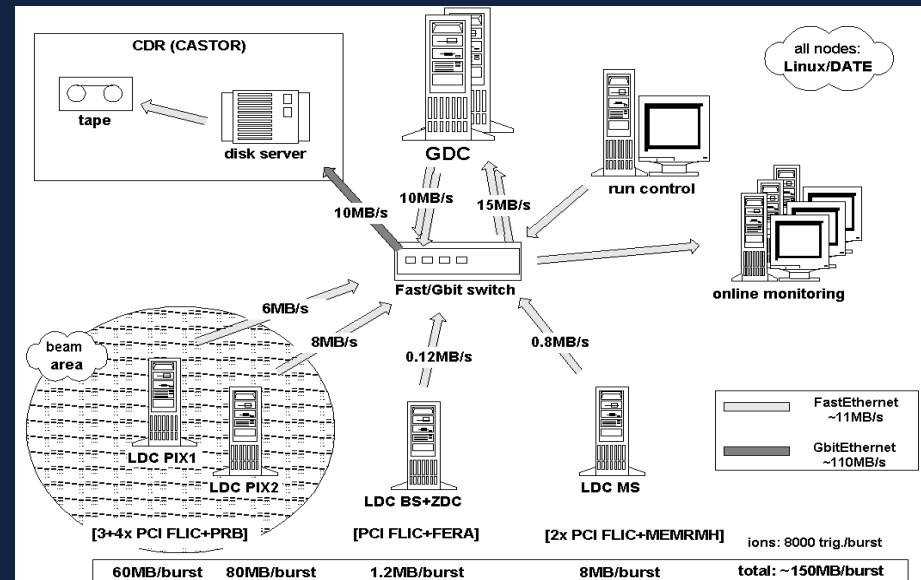
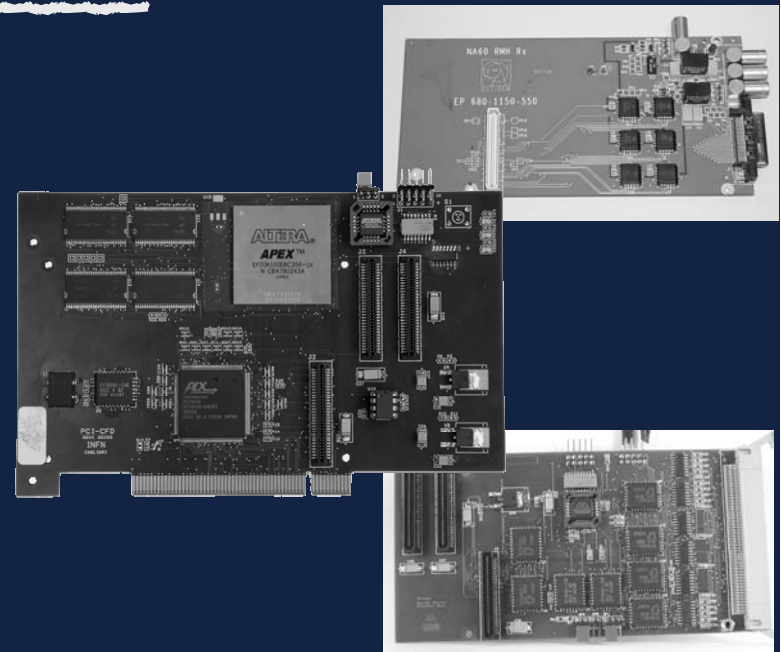
- synchronous, SLINK mezzanine

DAQ – PC/Linux, spill buffering

- based on DATE framework of ALICE

Controls – PVSS, LabVIEW, OPC

Wago PLC, CAEN power supplies



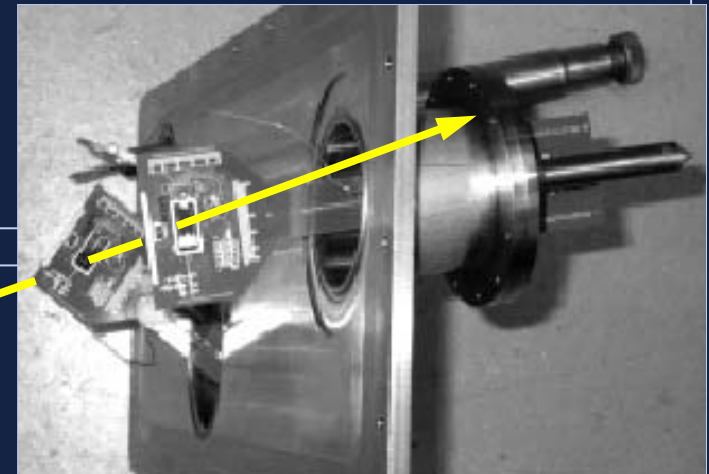
Beam Tracker

requirements

- determine the position of the incoming particle in the beam ($\sigma \approx 20 \mu\text{m}$)
- beam pileup reduction
- ultra radiation hard
 - $\approx 10^{11}$ ions/day, $\approx 10^{12}$ protons/day \Rightarrow dose \approx Grad/day (area $\approx 1 \text{ mm}^2$)
 - should survive couple of weeks \Rightarrow tens of Grad of dose
- fast readout
 - up to 10^7 ions/s or 10^8 protons/s
 - sampling $O(1)$ ns

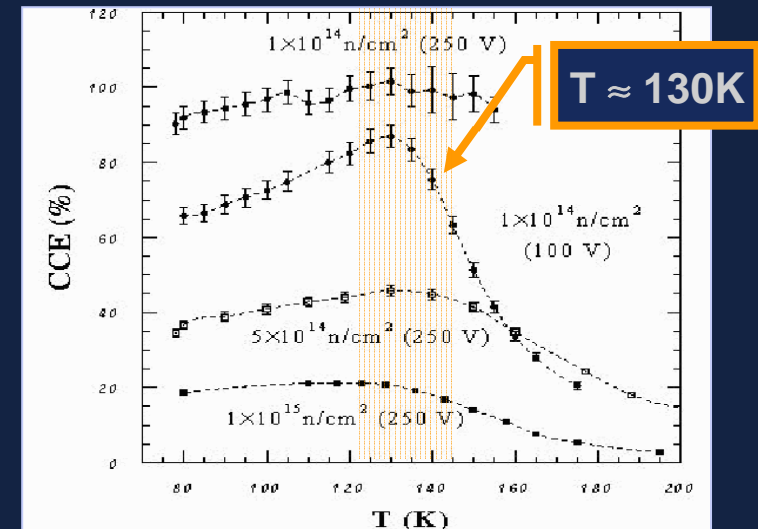
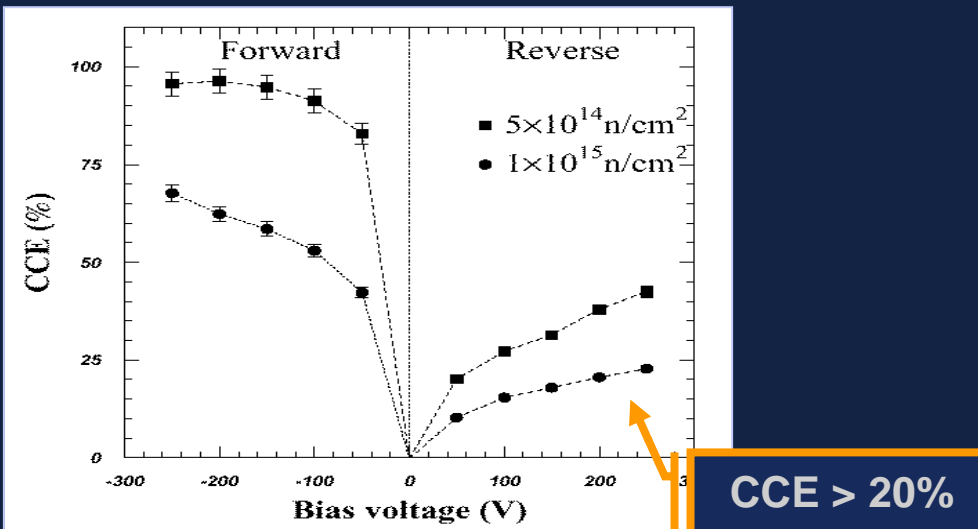
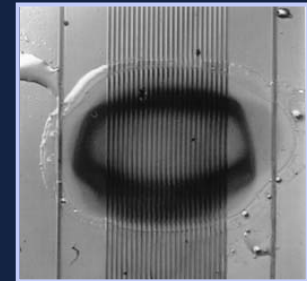
solution

- silicon strip sensor
- two tracking stations of two (x, y) sensors
- cryogenic operation as a radiation hardening technique
 - “Lazarus effect”



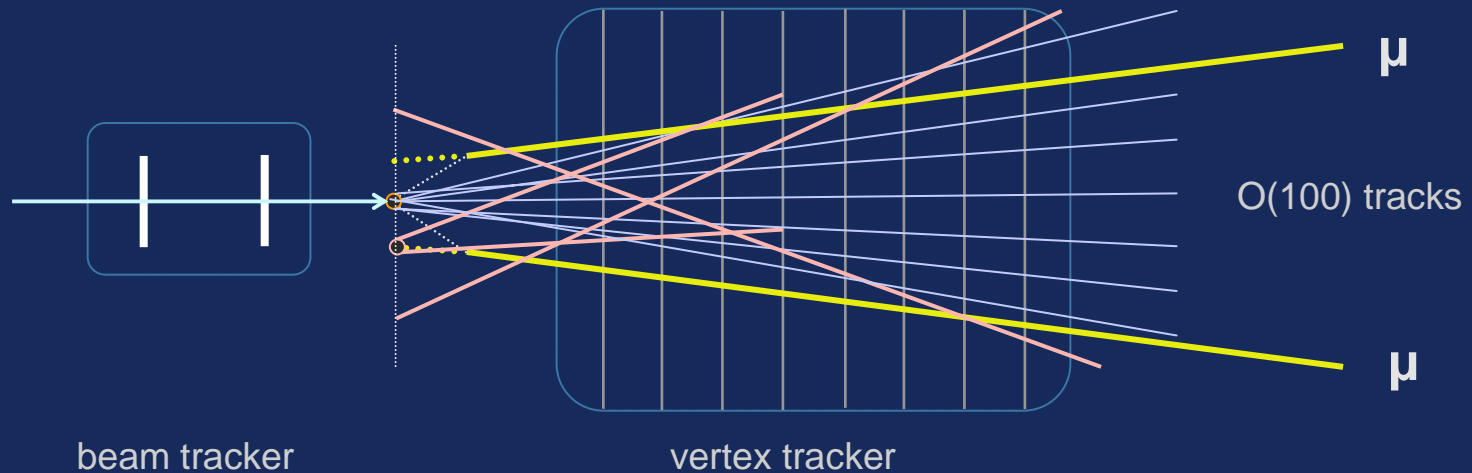
Lazarus effect

- discovered in 1998, studied by RD39
- first prototype in 1999 – common RD39/NA60 project
- **cryogenic operation - CCE regeneration of irradiated silicon detectors**
 - radiation damage \Rightarrow traps \Rightarrow partial depletion, signal distortion
 - low temperature \Rightarrow traps “frozen” (electrically inactive)
 - de-trapping time $\sim \exp(-1/kT)$ (\sim minutes)
 - very low leakage current, fast signals
 - trap-filling – particles, forward bias, light
- tests up to $\approx 10^{15}$ neutrons(1MeV)/cm²
- optimal temperature ≈ 130 K

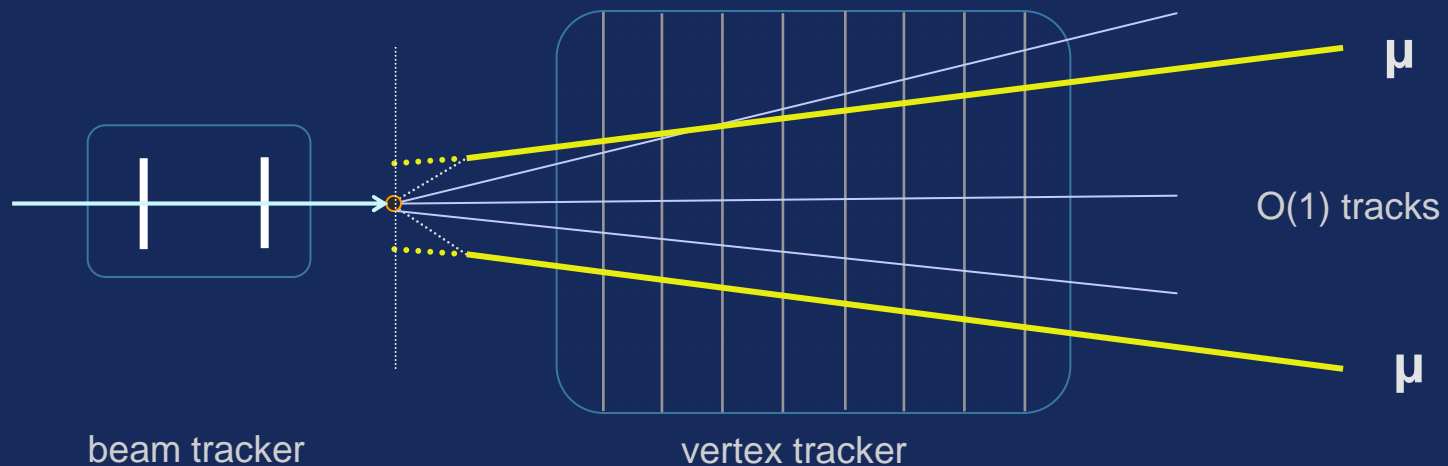


Beam Tracker – vertexing

ion collisions – constraint for the tracking



proton collisions – improve position resolution



Beam Tracker

sensor

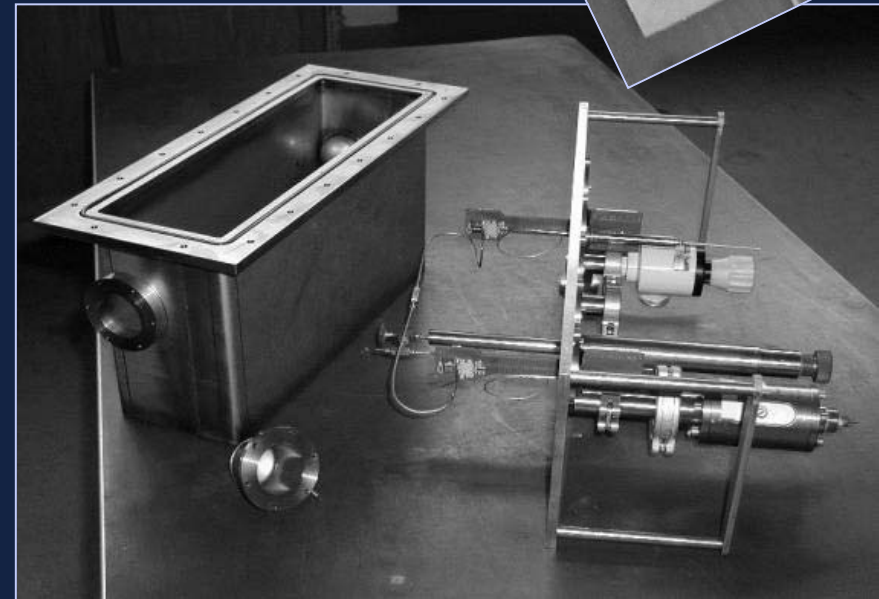
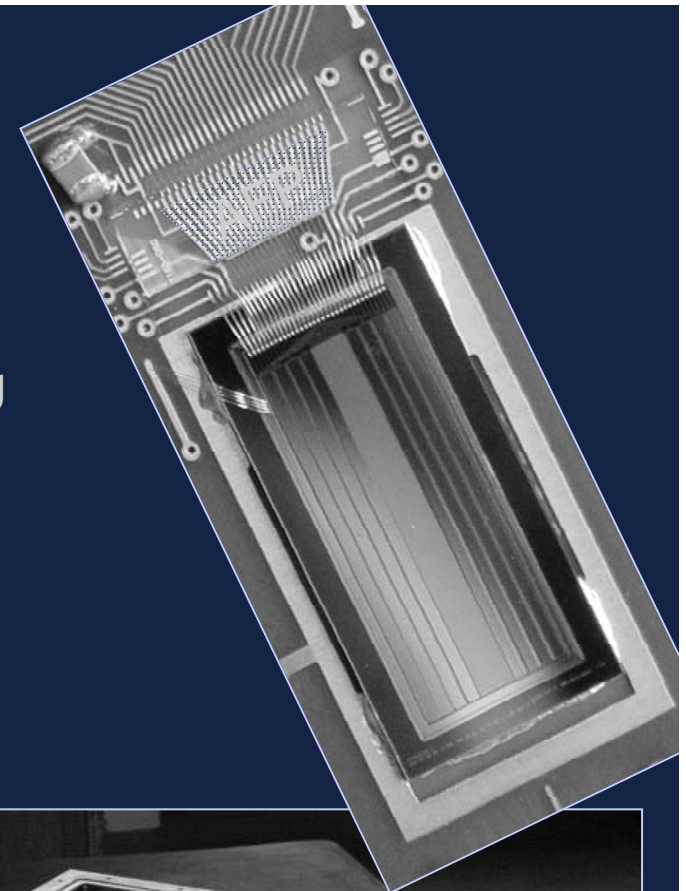
- single-sided silicon strip detector
- n-substrate, p+ strips (Al/p+/n/n+/Al), DC coupling
- 400 μm thickness, active area of 1.2 mm wide
- 24 tracking strips of 50 μm pitch
- 4+4 wide strips of 50 μm pitch for beam steering
- backplane can be used in trigger, excellent timing

PCB

- multilayer, special thermal design
- AFP “proton” chip or pitch adapter

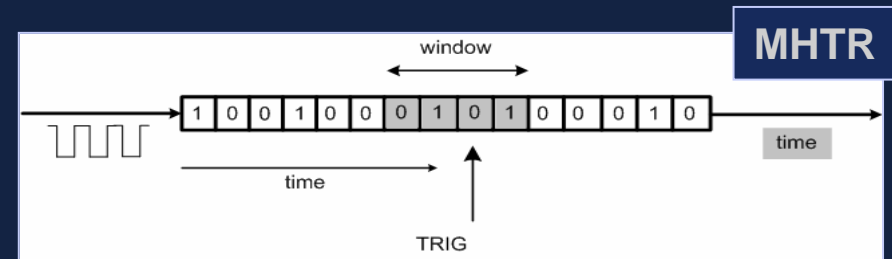
vacuum cryostat

- stainless steel with beam windows
- LN2 open-cycle

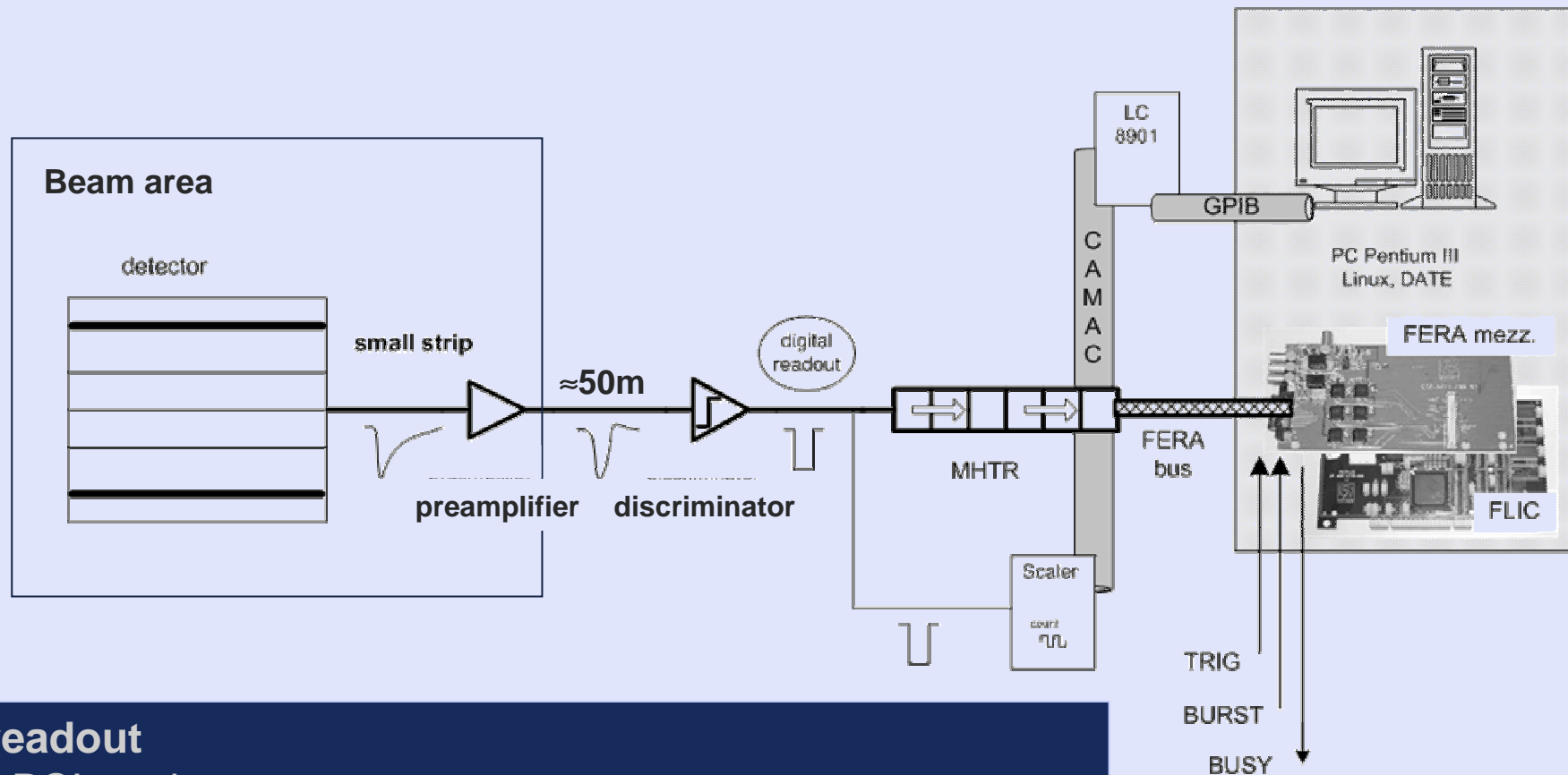


Beam Tracker – readout

- **fast low-noise preamplifiers**
 - risetime 1.7 ns, gain up to 200; total noise 25 μ Volts rms
- **AFP “proton” chip**
 - Active Feedback Preamplifier (uses feedback transistor)
 - 32 channels, 0.25 μ m CMOS
- **discriminators**
 - 8 channels, CAMAC, combined with scalars, ECL port for MHTR
 - programmable threshold, mask
- **MHTR recorders**
 - **Multi Hit Time Recorder**, 1.7 ns step
 - ALTERA MAX7000, 600 MS/s (4x interleaved)
 - ALTERA FLEX10k EPLD, 2 kbit buffer per channel (past 3.4 μ s)
 - programmable window around the trigger, encoded hit time
 - 8 channels, CAMAC, FERA



Beam Tracker - readout



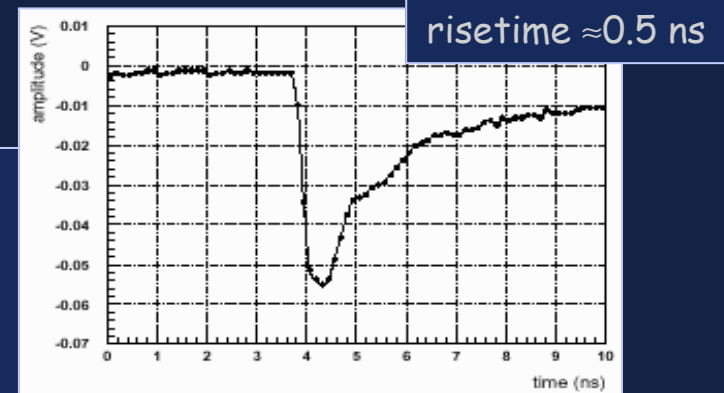
readout

- PCI card – FPGA, SDRAM, FERA mezzanine
 - PCI-FLIC (CERN-EP/ED) – development
 - ORCA FPGA, 32 MB
 - PCI-CFD (Cagliari, NA60 standard) – since 2003
 - ALTERA FPGA, 64 MB

Beam Tracker tests

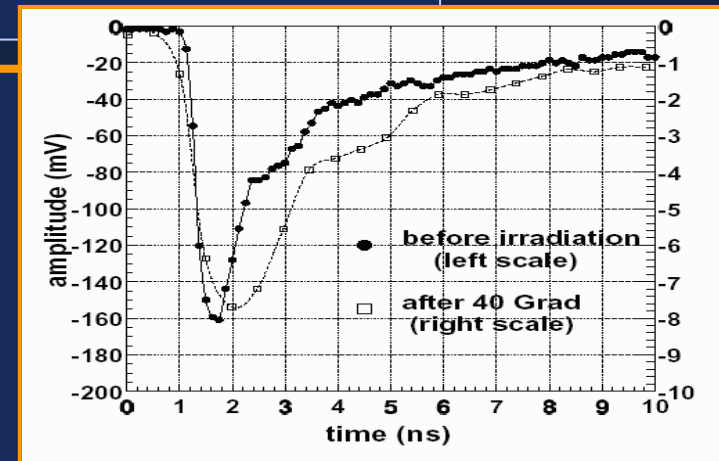
1999 – feasibility test in heavy ions

- 3 days in 40 GeV/A Pb, SPS
- $\approx 6 \times 10^{12}$ ions/cm² accumulated (≈ 1 Grad)
- fully functional prototype (preamp's, MHTRs)
- fast pulses, beam profile \rightarrow beam steering



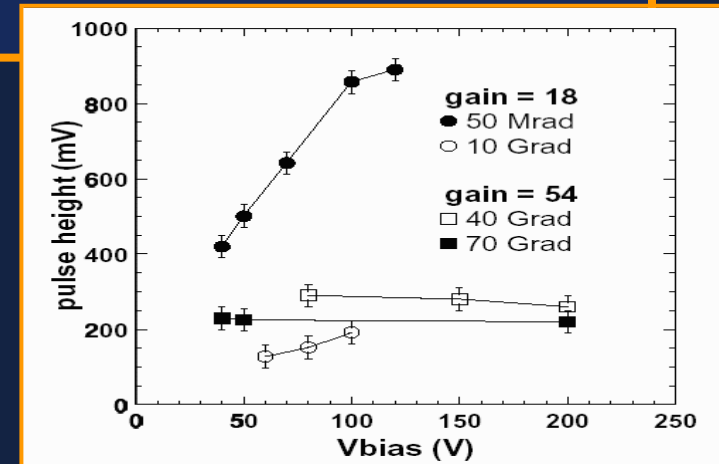
2000 – long-term irradiation test

- 42 days in 158 GeV Pb, SPS
- $\approx 5 \times 10^{14}$ ions/cm² accumulated ($\approx 90 \pm 40$ Grad)
- substantial degradation observed
- tuning: 3x gain, max. bias voltage \Rightarrow operational till the end



2001 – feasibility proton test

- 1 week, 400 GeV protons, SPS
- very small dose $\approx 4 \times 10^{14}$ protons /cm² (≈ 10 Mrad)
- AFP “proton” chip
- suitable for NA60

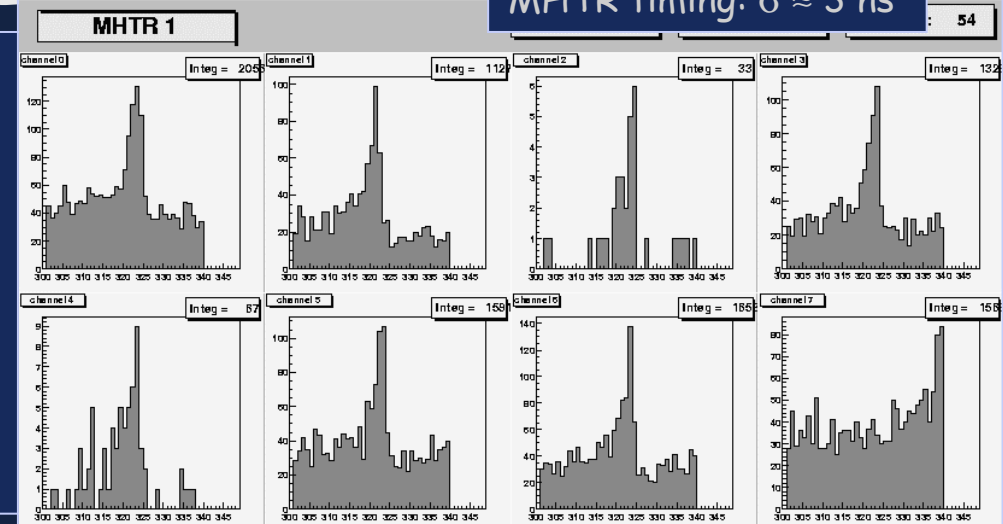


Beam Tracker runs

MHTR timing: $\sigma \approx 3$ ns

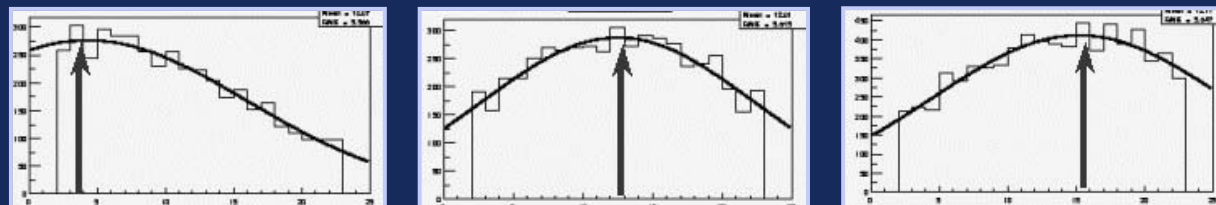
2002 – proton run

- 22 days, 400 GeV protons, SPS
- up to $\sim 2 \times 10^8$ p/burst
- fluence $\approx 4 \times 10^{15}$ p/cm² (≈ 0.1 Grad)



2002 – low-intensity heavy ion run


- 10 days, 20/30 GeV Pb, SPS, $\sim 10^6$ i/burst
- fluence $\approx 2 \times 10^{11}$ ions/cm² (≈ 30 Mrad)
 - efficiency: $\approx 96\% \rightarrow \approx 86\%$ at 300K, 99.6% in cold (130K)
- in-burst beam swing observed (~ 500 μ m)

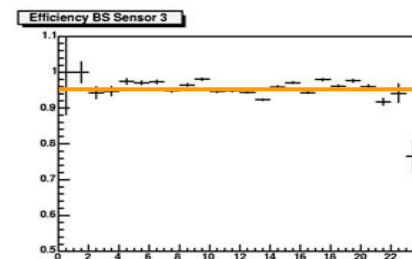
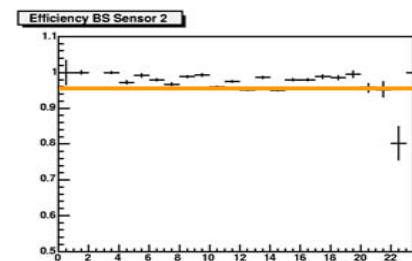
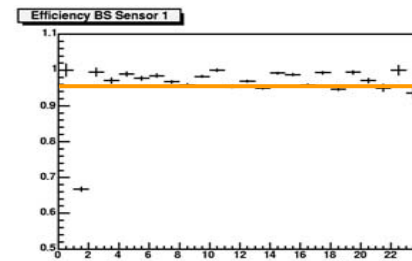
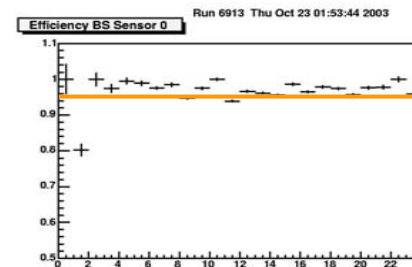
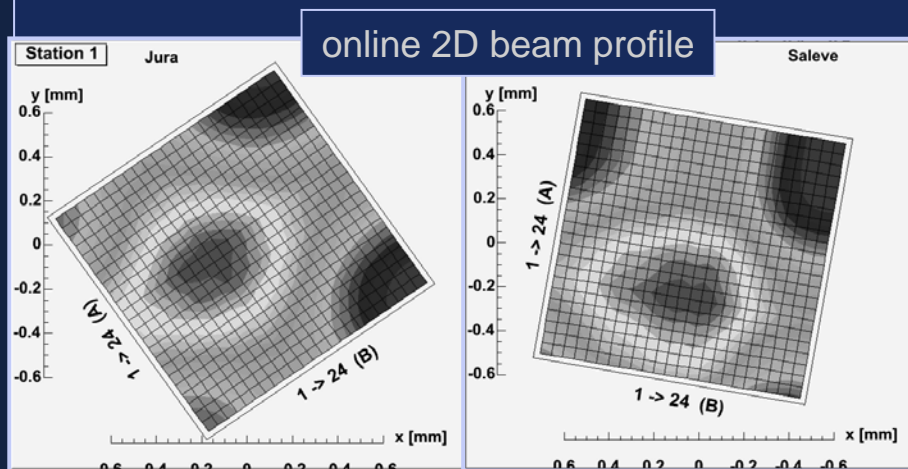


Beam Tracker - latest run

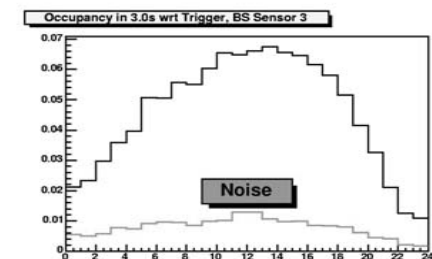
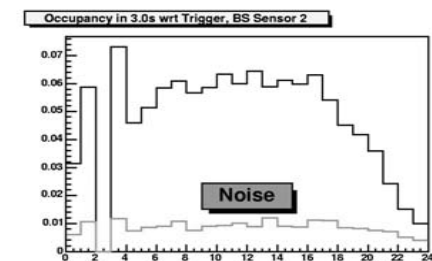
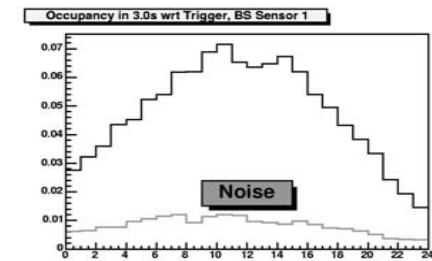
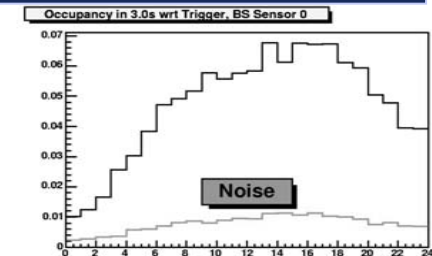
2003 – indium run

- 5 weeks, 158 GeV indium, SPS
- two sets used (change after 3 weeks)
- 1st set: $\approx 9 \times 10^{13}$ ions/cm² (≈ 5.5 Grad)
- 2nd set: $\approx 6 \times 10^{13}$ ions/cm² (≈ 3.7 Grad)

- tuning during the run
 - bias voltage 40V \rightarrow 250V
 - monitoring the noise
 - efficiency usually $>95\%$ 



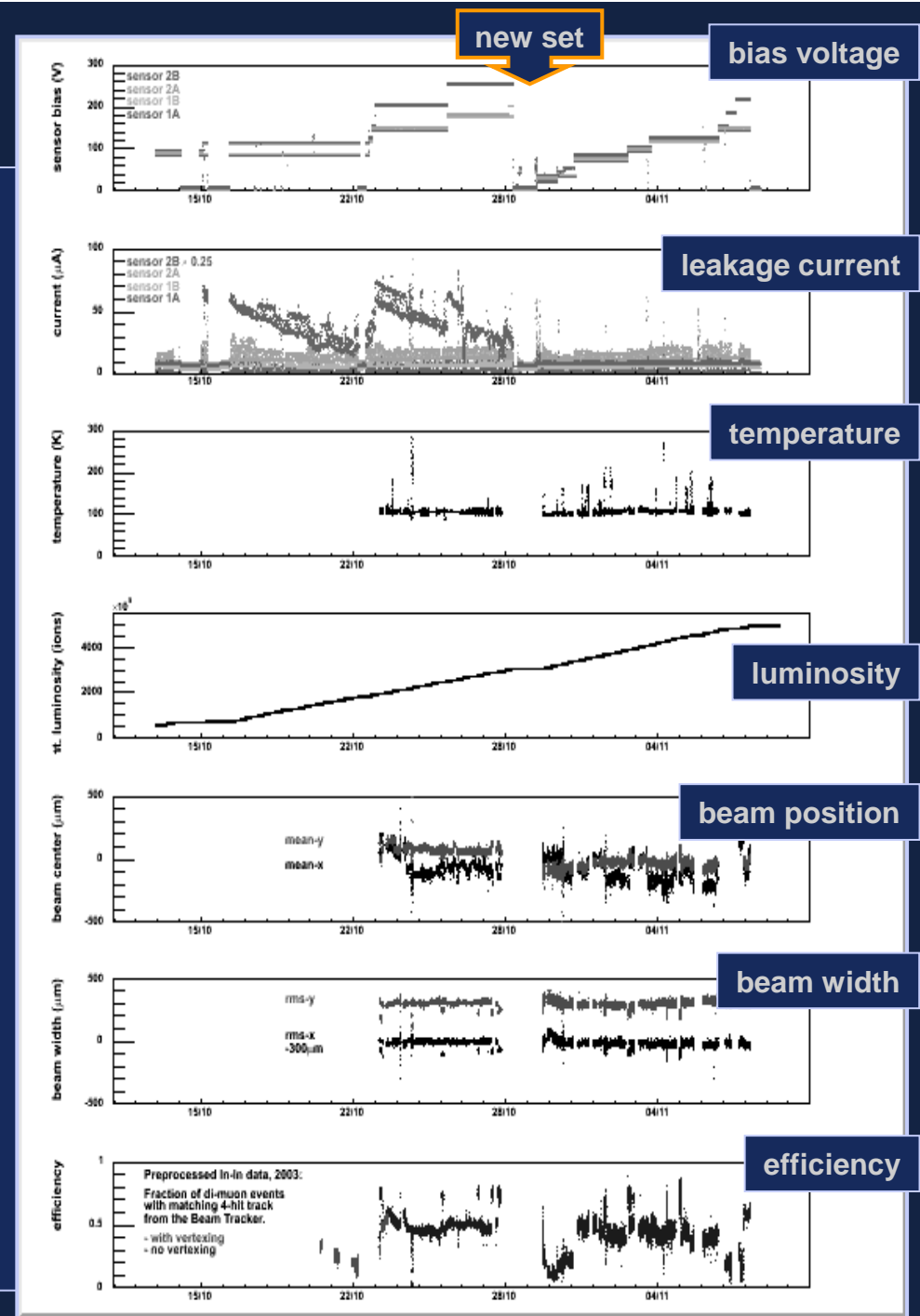
online efficiency analysis



Beam Tracker

indium run overview

- bias voltage
 - up to 250 V
- leakage current
 - \approx microamps (2B: tens of μ A)
- temperature
 - stable around \sim 130 K
- luminosity on the backplane
 - $\approx 3 \times 10^{12}$ (1st set), $\approx 2 \times 10^{12}$ (2nd set)
- beam position
 - variations $O(100 \mu\text{m})$
- beam width
 - normal: RMS $\approx 300 \mu\text{m}$
 - narrow periods: $\approx 230 \mu\text{m}$
- combined 4-sensor efficiency
 - not corrected for the acceptance
 - $\sim 50\%$ ($\sim 75\%$ narrow beam)
 - \Rightarrow single effi: $\sim 85\%$ ($\sim 93\%$)



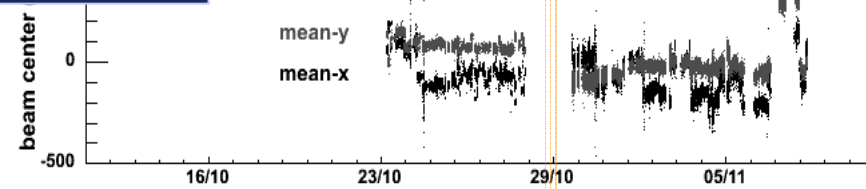
Beam Tracker

acceptance correction

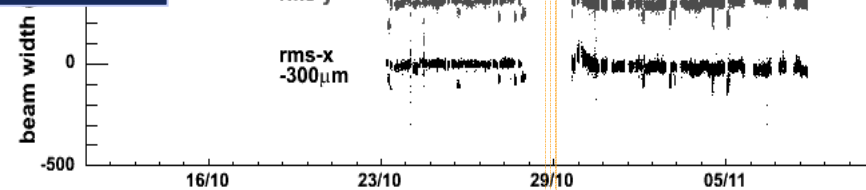
- single sensor efficiency
~80–90% (narrow beam: ~95%)
- to be improved using vertex information
BT#1 point + vertex \Rightarrow efficiency of BT#2

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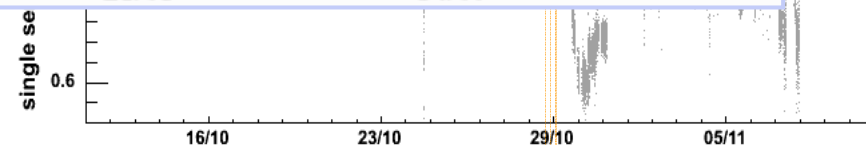
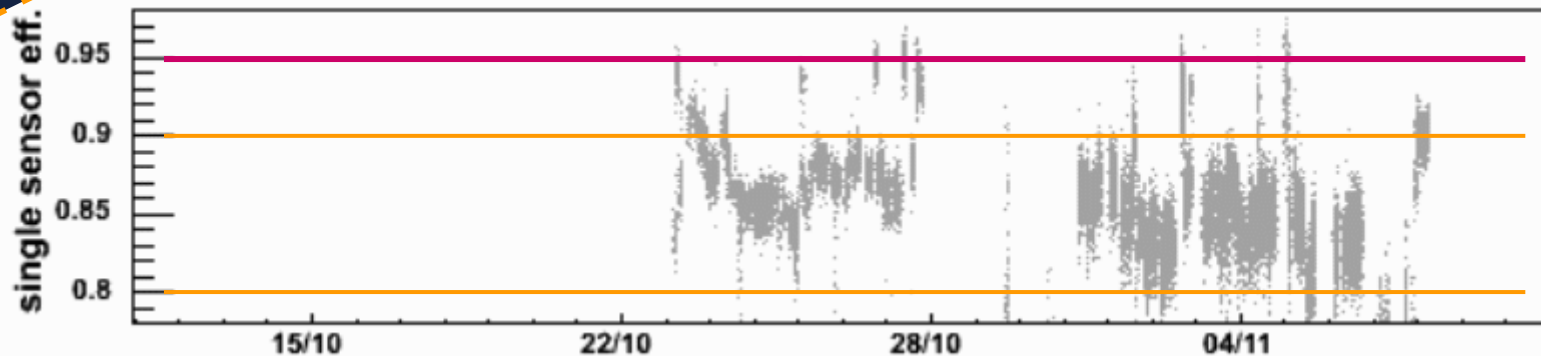
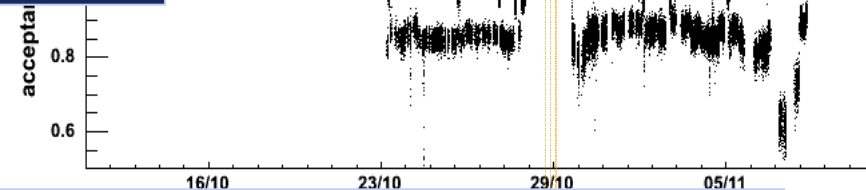
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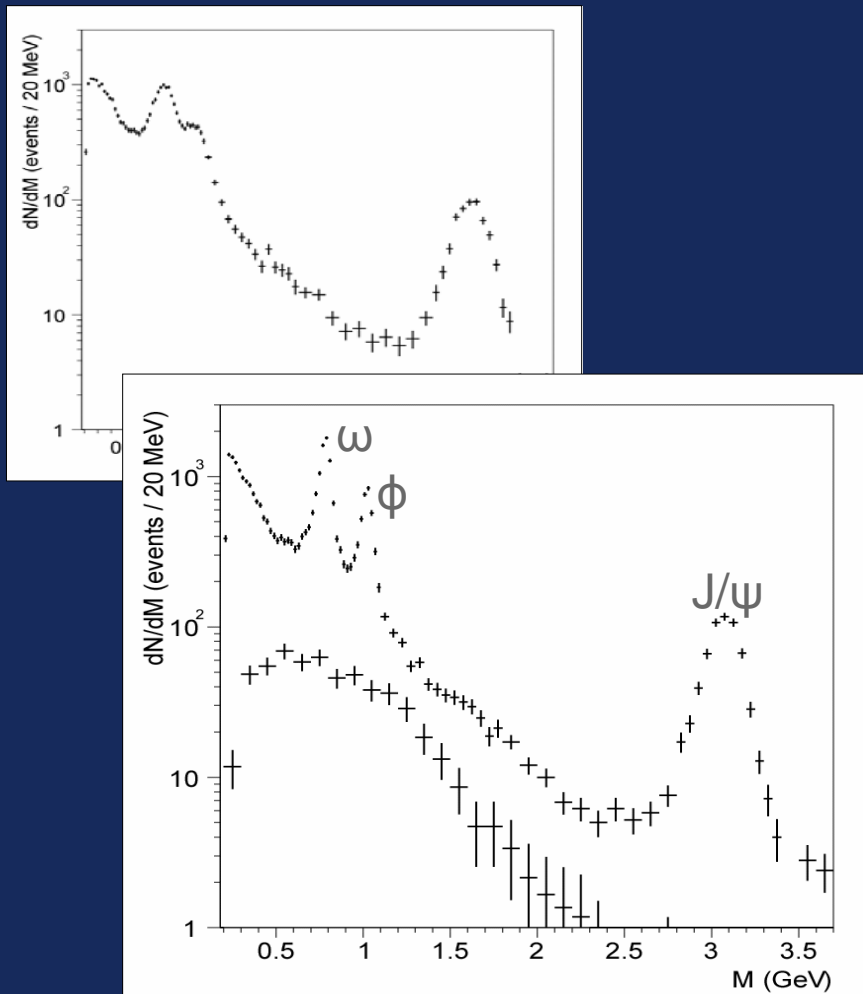
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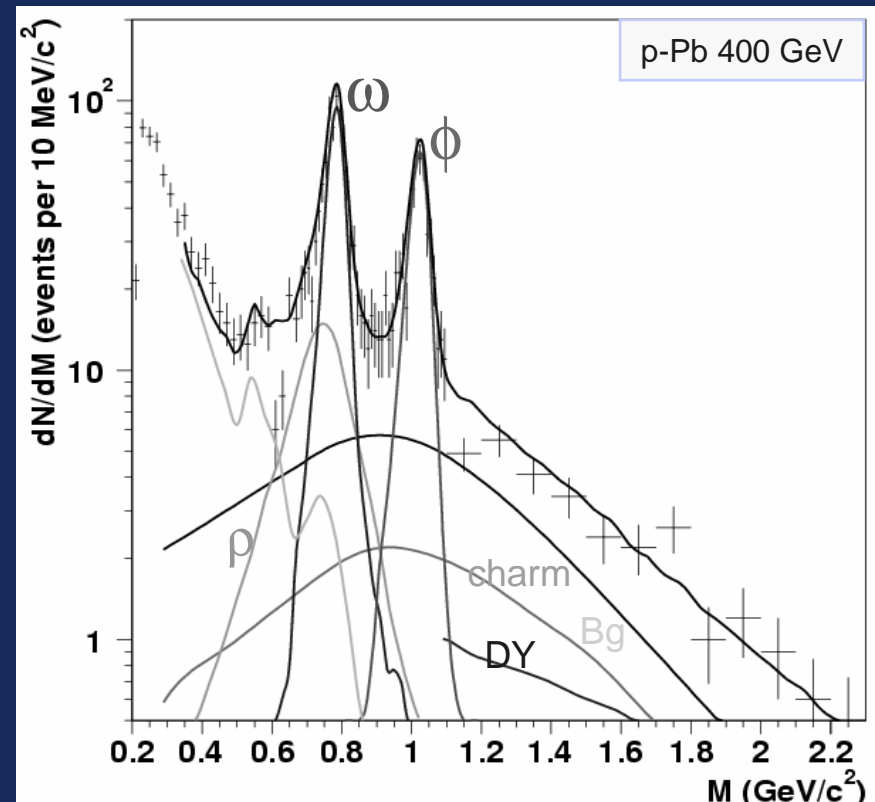
Proton run in 2002

- 400 GeV protons, low intensity, Microstrip Telescope

muon track matching $\Rightarrow \sigma_{\omega} = 25$ MeV



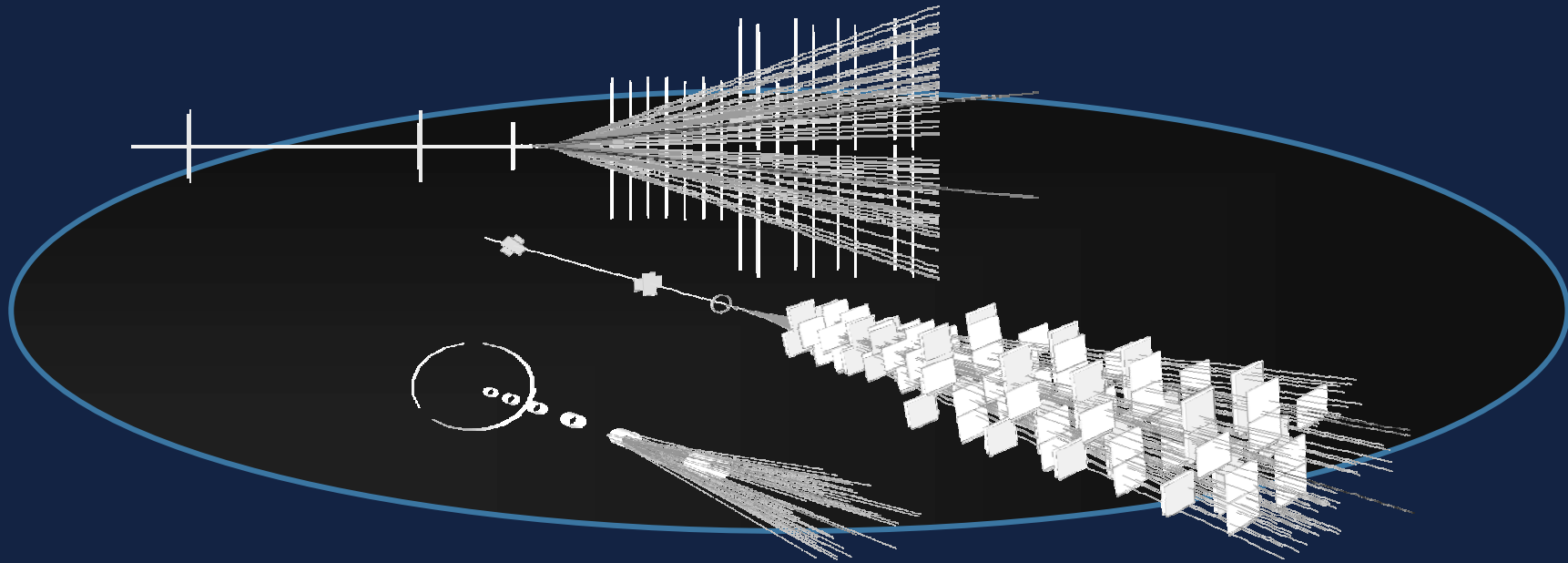
low mass spectrum with $\sim 1\%$ of the estimated 2004 statistics



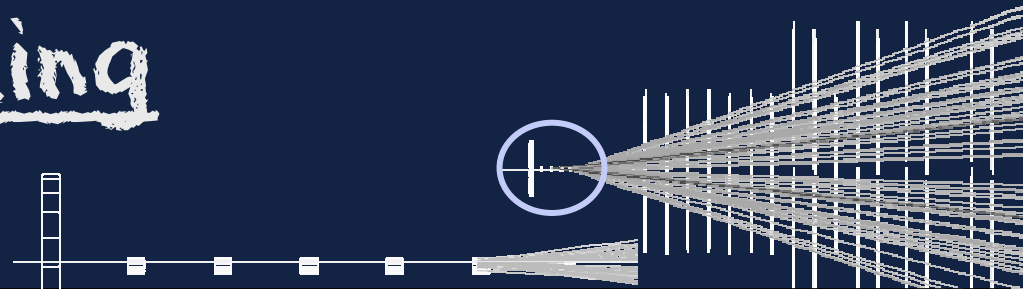
Indium run '2003

- 158 GeV Indium beam on 7 Indium targets
- 5-weeks (Oct-Nov 2003)
- $\approx 4 \times 10^{12}$ ions delivered
- 230 million dimuon triggers acquired
- ≈ 3 TB of data on tapes

- more than 100 000 J/ψ events (before track matching)
- around 1 million low mass dimuons (after track matching)

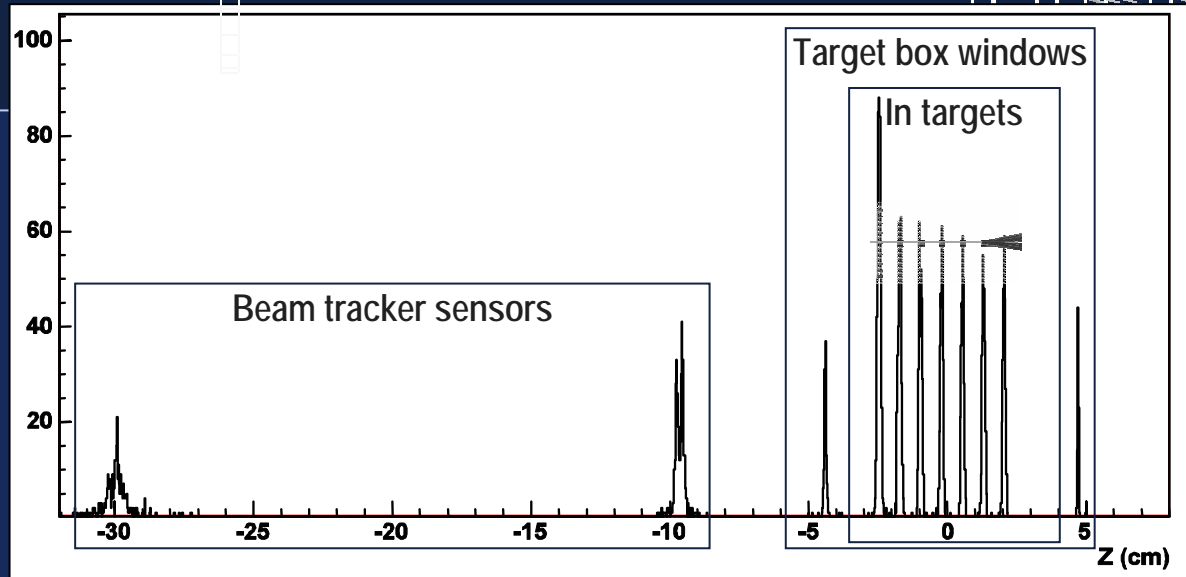


In '2003 - vertexing



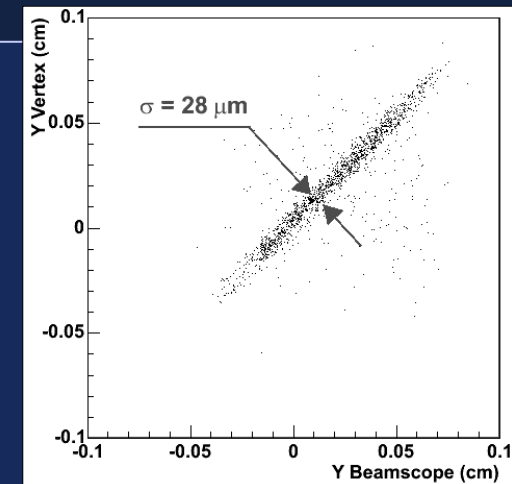
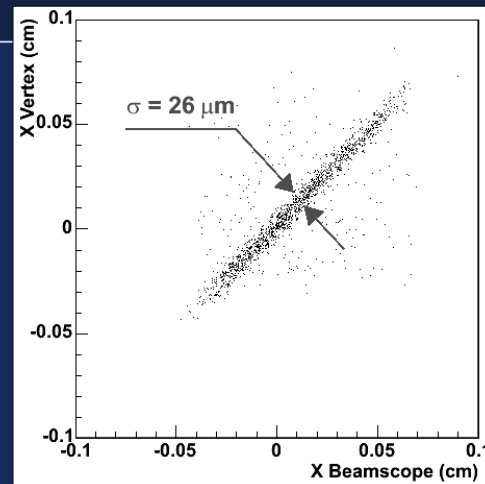
Z-vertex
determination
from pixel telescope

$$\sigma_z = 300 \mu\text{m}$$



Transverse coordinates
measured
by the pixel telescope
and the beam tracker

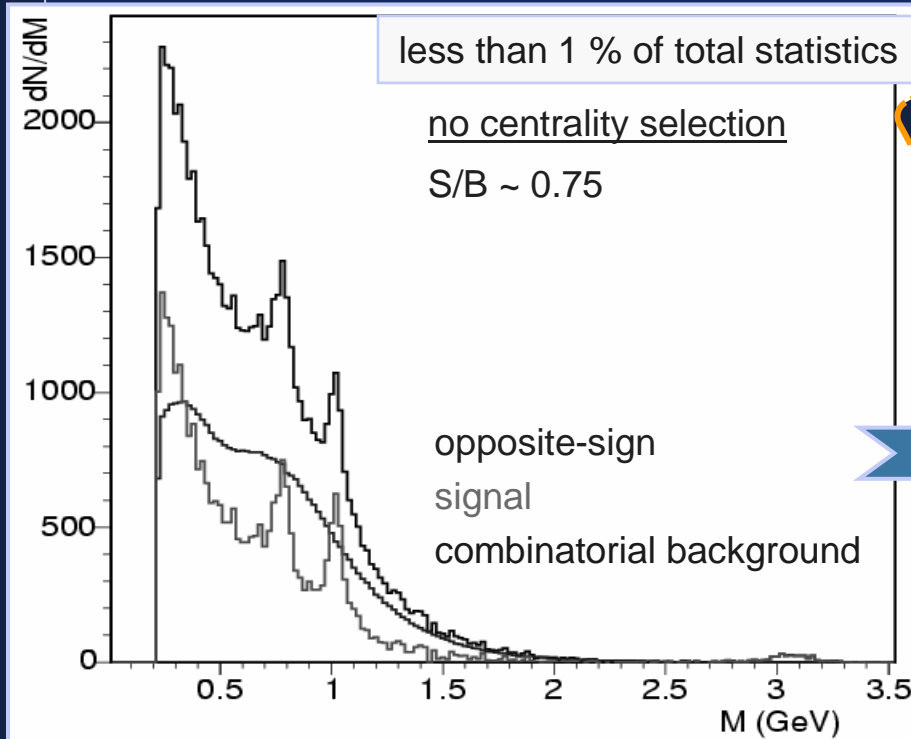
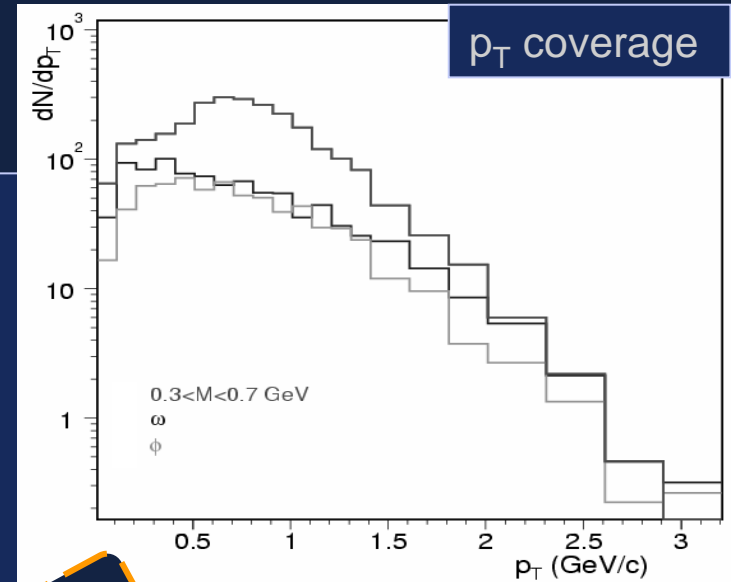
- $\sigma_x \approx 26 \mu\text{m}$, $\sigma_y \approx 28 \mu\text{m}$
⇒ both better than $\approx 20 \mu\text{m}$



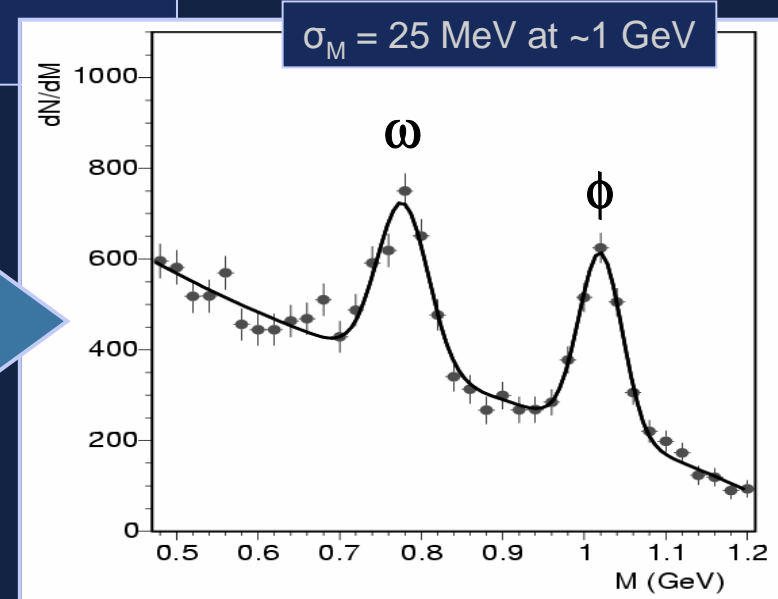
In '2003 - low mass

low mass region

- improved mass resolution after track matching
- from 75 MeV to 25 MeV at ~ 1 GeV
- good p_T coverage in the low mass region
 - down to zero p_T (no centrality selection)

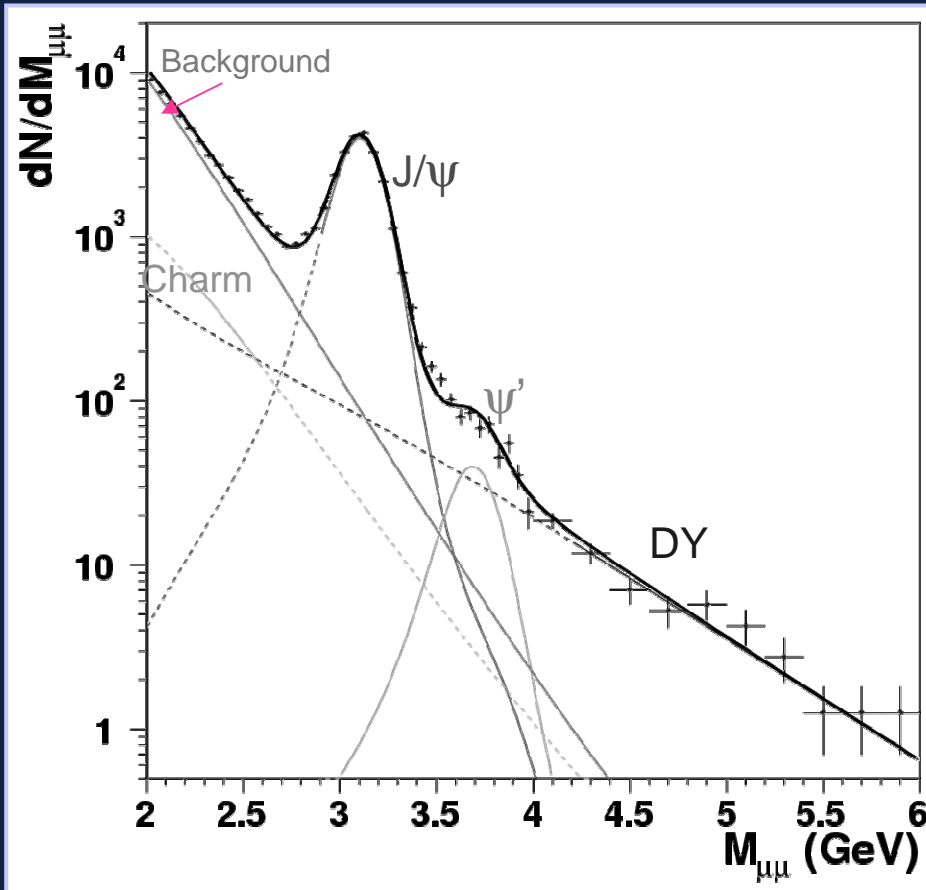


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In '2003 - first results

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Dimuon data from the 6500 A event sample
No muon track matching used in this analysis
Mass resolution at the J/ψ : ~ 107 MeV

Combinatorial background from π and K decays estimated from the measured like-sign pairs

Signal mass shapes from Monte Carlo:

- ✓ PYTHIA and MRS A (Low Q^2) parton densities
- ✓ GEANT 3.21 for detector simulation
- ✓ reconstructed as the measured data

Acceptances from Monte Carlo simulation:

- ✓ for J/ψ : 12.4 %
- ✓ for DY : 13.4 % (in mass window 2.9–4.5 GeV)

A multi-step fit (max likelihood) is performed:

- $M > 4.2$ GeV : normalise the DY
- $2.2 < M < 2.5$ GeV: normalise the charm (with DY fixed)
- $2.9 < M < 4.2$ GeV: get the J/ψ yield
(with DY & charm fixed)

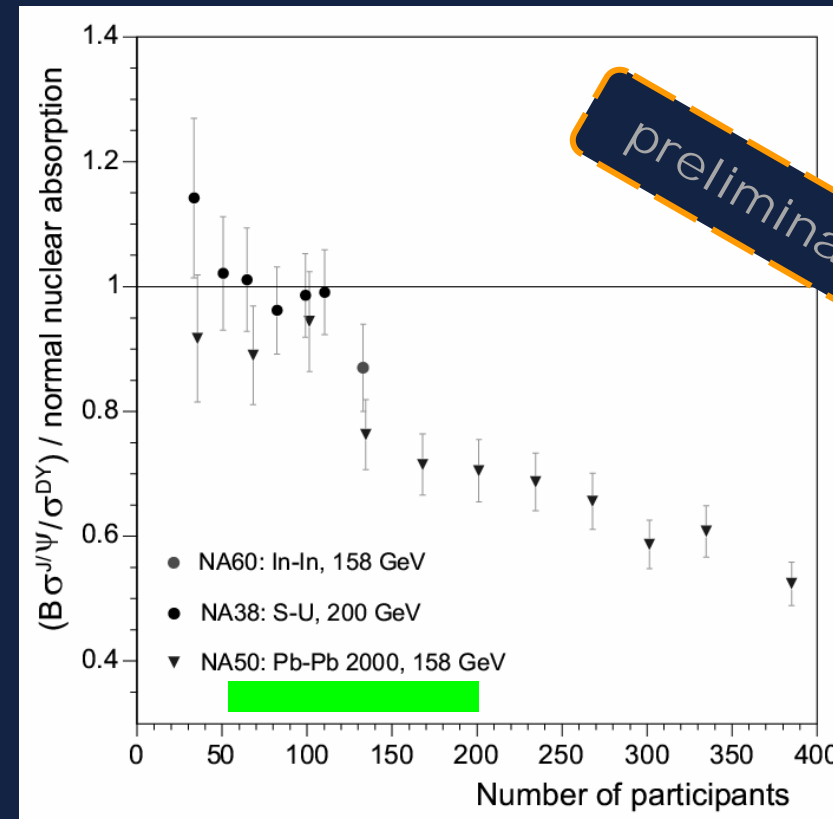
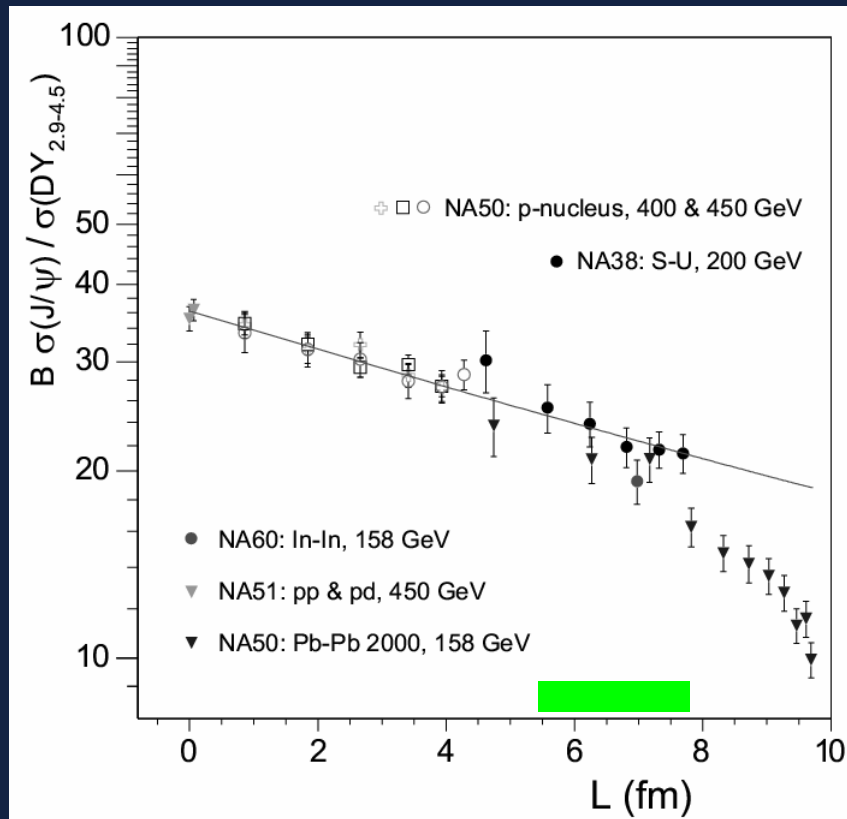
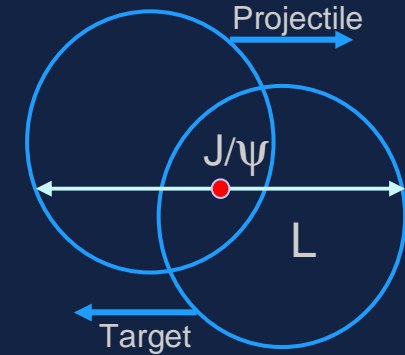
→ DY yield = 1302 ± 104
in mass window 2.9–4.5 GeV

→ J/ψ yield = 23532 ± 298

In '2003 - first results

$B \sigma(J/\psi) / \sigma(DY) = 19.5 \pm 1.6 \Rightarrow 0.87 \pm 0.07$ w.r.t. the absorption curve

In-In collisions of $E_{ZDC} < 15$ TeV $\Rightarrow L = 7.0$ fm and $N_{part} = 133$
 (from Glauber fit to the minimum bias E_{ZDC} distribution)



Stability checks: Background increase by 10% : less than 3% change

Different event selection : less than 8% change

Using GRV parton densities instead of MRS : $0.87 \pm 0.07 \rightarrow 0.93 \pm 0.08$

Summary and outlook

harvest from indium run in 2003

- more than 100 000 reconstructed J/ψ events (before track matching)
- ~ 1 million signal low mass dimuons (after track matching)
- mass resolution ~ 25 MeV at the ϕ
- signal to background ratio around 1:1 or 1:2 depending on collision centrality (a factor 4 better than before muon track matching)

proton run in 2004

- ~ 70 days of 400 GeV protons, 7 different targets, high beam intensities ($\sim 2 \times 10^9$ p/burst)
- reference for the heavy-ion data
 - impact of χ_c production on the J/ψ suppression
 - nuclear dependence of open charm production
 - intermediate mass prompt dimuons
 - low mass dimuons with unprecedented accuracy

proton and ion data together

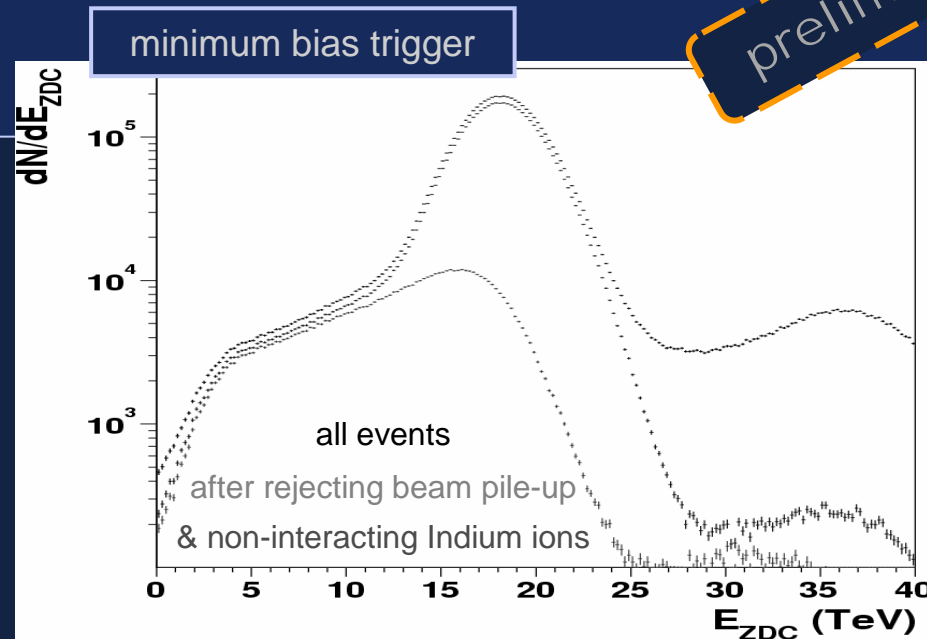
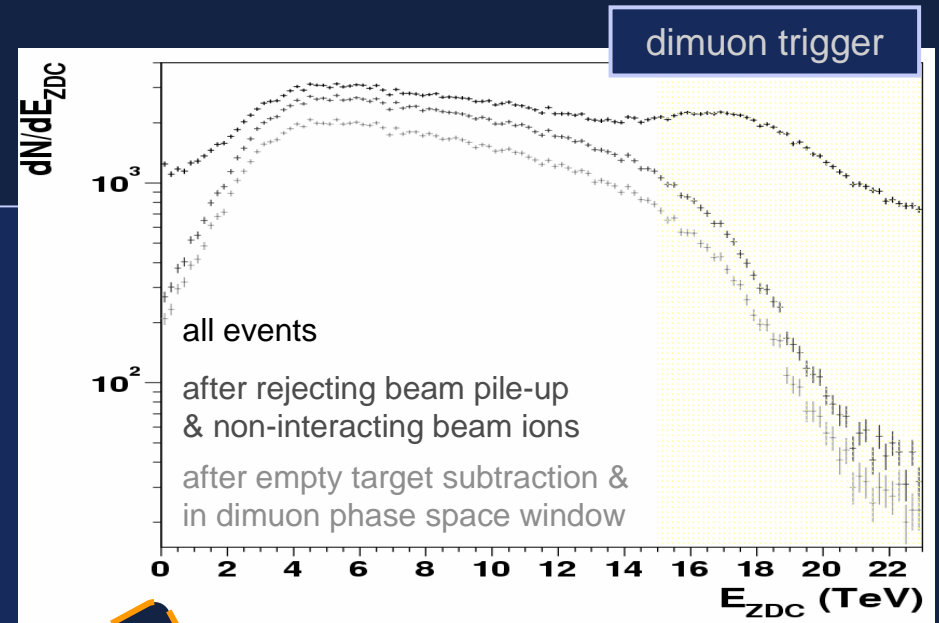
- study the **low mass region**, including the ρ , ω , ϕ resonances
- identify the origin of the **excess of intermediate mass dimuons**
- improve the understanding of the **production and suppression of the charmonium states**

- nuclear dependence of charm production and prompt Drell-Yan dimuons
- look for the $D_0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ rare decay

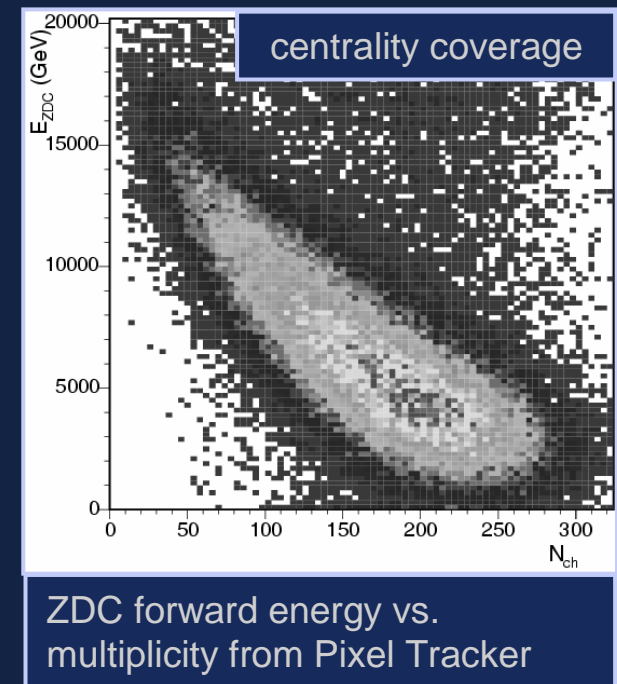
In '2003 - ZDC

ZDC forward energy spectrum

- dimuon trigger
- minimum bias (ZDC) trigger
- beam pileup rejected by the Beam Tracker
- non-interacting ions rejected by the Interaction Counter
- severe quality cuts



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ZDC forward energy vs. multiplicity from Pixel Tracker